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#### FOREWORD

THESE volumes represent the first attempt to collect, illustrate, and bring together the music of the early settlers of Pennsylvania; to show the gradual awakening of musical talent and the coming of professional musicians; to give examples of ballad operas, and to outline the course of the musical influences that contributed to the social life of this Colony and State in the Eighteenth Century.

In this sense the work is a compilation, and no particular originality is claimed by the Committee. A thoroughgoing effort has been made to present such references to early music in Pennsylvania as can be gathered from the works of historians, diarists, and antiquarians. These references have been transcribed in such shape that they overlap as little as possible; that they appear in fairly chronological order; and that, in every case, due credit is given to the original authors, or compilers. In many cases quotation marks have been omitted, the source being indicated by the nature of the transcript.

A few words as to the order in which the accumulated material appears may, with propriety, be offered. It was felt that a complete reproduction of the Johannes Kelpius Hymn-Book, used by the Theosophical Brotherhood on the Wissahickon, was due the unique position it ocupies in the musical history of the Colony and is therefore given precedence over all other source groups. The chapter covering Justus Falckner, who belonged to no sectarian group,

is placed second to that of the Wissahickon Hermits, while that on Swedish music, which is related to that of the German State Church movements, follows next. The section on Indian music has no specific position in the general order; its kinship to the other portions of the work is well indicated in the text. In no sense is the relative placement of these groups meant to assess the importance of their musical contributions.

In the second volume Pastorius precedes the Sectarian accounts because of his friendly and sympathetic interest in the great Dunker movement. The Schwenkfelders and the Moravians are not sectaries, as is quite well known. Chronologically they were the late-comers and have been placed accordingly. The section devoted to music in Philadelphia covers so wide an area, and represents the effect of such widely diverse causes, many of which are described in the earlier parts of the volume, that it was deemed wise to close the second volume with that material. In both volumes the inclusion of matter detailing the economic and social history of the period covered was an obvious necessity as a background to the proper understanding of the story of musical development in Pennsylvania

From time to time, during the accumulation of this material, exhibitions and recitals have been given in order that the Society might be kept in contact with the Committee's progress. In particular, the republished music of Francis Hopkinson was given a special hearing when Dr. O. G. Sonneck made the very luminous address on this early Philadelphia musician, which is reproduced in its proper connection in this work. It remains to be said that the advice and encouragement of this foremost student of music in America have been invaluable.

The Chairman takes this opportunity to express generally, for the Committee and herself, most grateful thanks and appreciation to all those whose counsel and assistance have made these volumes possible. Specific acknowledgment is due to Albert G. Rau, Ph. D., Dean of the Moravian College and Seminary at Bethlehem, for aid and supervision of the Moravian and other sections; to the Reverend E. E. S. Johnson of Pennsburg and Professor Howard Wiegner Kriebel, Schwenkfelder historians; to Mr. Carl Engle, Chief of the Department of Music of the Library of Congress; to Dr. Jean B. Beck, of the University of Pennsylvania; to Mr. Ernest Spofford and other officers of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania; to the officers of the American Catholic Historical Society; to those of the Presbyterian Historical Society; to Miss Jane Campbell, to Mr. Charles J. Cohen, and, last but not least, to Miss M. Atherton Leach, of Philadelphia.

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### CHURCH MUSIC AND MUSICAL LIFE IN PENNSYLVANIA IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY

#### INTRODUCTORY

No student of Church Music and Musical Life in Pennsylvania in the Eighteenth Century can fail to be profoundly impressed with the potent influence exerted on this whole subject by the so-called "sect" people of provincial Pennsylvania.

The term "sect" is here used in the sense applied by the late Julius F. Sachse, Litt. D., to such early groups of German emigrants as left their native lands for conscience's sake, or were driven out by bigoted persecution, and who, either prior to their departure, or shortly after their arrival, for religious or social reasons, formed distinct communities or congregations in Pennsylvania, keeping themselves separate and apart from their dissenting countrymen as well as from their English-speaking neighbors.\*

The Mennonites were the first of these sects to come to the Quaker province. The original unit, consisting of thirteen families, arrived at Germantown, October 6, 1683.†

The next distinctive community, a party of "Labadists" from Friesland, under the leadership of Petrus

<sup>\*</sup>See "The German Pietists of Provincial Pennsylvania," 1694–1708, by Julius F. Sachse, Litt.D.

<sup>†</sup>See Mennonite Emigration to Pennsylvania, by Hon. Samuel W. Pennypacker, in "Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography," vol. ii, pp. 117, et seq., also "Historical and Biographical Sketches," (Phila., 1883), and "The Settlement of Germantown," by the same author (1899).

Sluyter and Jasper Dankers, arrived in the autumn of 1684, and settled on a tract of land known as "Bohemia Manor," partly situated in New Castle County, and then thought to be wholly within Penn's domains.

Ten years later Johannes Kelpius with his chapter of Pietists, or true Rosicrucians, landed in Philadelphia, June 24, 1694. After a brief sojourn in Germantown, a settlement was made amid the silences and rugged banks of the Wissahickon.

During the fall of 1719 the Dunkards, or German Baptists, twenty families strong, arrived in Philadelphia. They too settled in Germantown, whence emanated all the congregations of that faith throughout Pennsylvania.

The "Neu-geborenen," or the "Stillen im Lande," \* likewise settled in Germantown, about 1725.

The Ephrata Community on the Cocalico, the virtual successors to the Mystics on the Wissahickon, led by Conrad Beissel and Peter Miller, dates from 1720.

The Schwenkfelders from Berthelsdorf and Görlitz reached Philadelphia in 1734, subsequently locating in Philadelphia and Bucks Counties, where their descendants still celebrate the anniversary ("Gedächtniss Tag") of their arrival.†

The last and most important body of German Pietists to reach provincial Pennsylvania was the Unitas Fratrum, or Moravian Church, also called the Moravian Brethren. The first permanent settlement of this influential community was on the Lehigh, where Bethlehem now stands, in

<sup>\*</sup>See "Hallische Nachrichten," orig. edit., p. 226. New edition, p. 348. Annotations by Rev. J. W. Mann, *ibid.*, p. 417.

<sup>†</sup>See "Erläuterung für Herrn Caspar Schwenckfeld." (Breslau, 1771.)

1742, though a small colony had arrived in 1740, and their first evangelist, George Böhnisch, had accompanied the Schwenkfelders in 1734.\*

Among these groups the first practical musician would appear to have been Johannes Kelpius of the Mystics of the Wissahickon, though it is just to state that he was not the only hymnologist and composer in the original party of Theosophical emigrants. Heinrich Bernhard Köster, Johann Gotfried Seelig and the brothers David and Justus Falkner were also writers of hymns that have survived to the present time, and Dr. Christopher Witt, who joined the Fraternity in 1704, was a musician and organ builder.

Kelpius, however, left behind him a book of hymns which the Historical Research Committee of the Pennsylvania Society of the Colonial Dames of America, through the courtesy of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, herewith presents in its entirety as the first musical composition of Eighteenth Century Pennsylvania.

This unique volume of seventy pages contains twelve hymns and melodies. It is evidently a duplicate of a similar manuscript collection, or else it is a compilation from loose sheets upon which were originally written such hymns as were in common use in the services at the Tabernacle. The hymns are written in German on the left-hand page, while on the opposite page is an attempt at a metrical translation in English. The musical score as well as the hymns, like his diary, afford an insight into his religious fervor.

Most of the hymns are written somewhat after the style of the celebrated Christian Knorr, Baron von Rosen-

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Memorials of the Moravian Church," edited by William C. Reichel. (Phila., 1870.)

roth,\* whose name is quoted in connection with the melody of several of the compositions.

Kelpius became acquainted with Knorr during his university days, and, it is supposed that it was he who first introduced the youthful student into the secrets of Cabbalistic philosophy.

The title, together with all pages of the Kelpius hymn book, in the original German and with the English translation, is reproduced in *fac-simile*. An additional value is imparted to this quaint little book from the fact that it is probably the first book of hymnology or German poetry and music that can be said to have been composed and written in the western world.

The English translations are mere paraphrases, and fail to convoy the full fervor and meaning of the German original, and this applies not only to the poetry, but to the titles.†

In addition to the Hymn Book which follows in fac simile, there is, in the Collections of the Historical Society

\*" Christian Knorr, Baron v. Rosenroth, was born at Altrauden, in Silesia, July 15, 1636. After studying at the universities of Leipzig and Wittenberg, he made an extended tour through France, England and Holland. At Amsterdam he became acquainted with an Armenian prince; with the chief Rabbi, Meir Stern, from Frankfort; a Dr. John Lightfoot, Dr. Henry More, and others, and as a result devoted himself to the study of Oriental languages, of chemistry and of occult and Cabbalistic philosophy. He edited various Rabbinical writings, published several Cabbalistical works, notably his Kabbala Denudata (2 vols. Sulzbach, 1677). He, however, is chiefly known by his hymns, published in Nuremberg, 1684, under the title 'Never Heligon Mit Seiner Neun Musen; das ist, Geistliche Sitten Lieder, &c.' A number of these hymns were incorporated in the Halle Hymnal, 1794 (Geistreicher Lieder), since when they have been translated into different languages, and are now used by nearly all Protestant denominations throughout the world.''

<sup>†</sup> Vide "The German Pietists of Provincial Pennsylvania, 1694–1708," by the late Julius F. Sachse, Litt.D.

of Pennsylvania, still another original manuscript hymn book of the Hermits of the Wissahickon, the work, doubtless, of Johannes Kelpius, Henry Bernhard Köster and Johann Gotfried Seelig, 1694–1707. It, however, is without musical score.

This invaluable relic of seventeenth and early eighteenth century Philadelphia and her romantic stream was, at one time, in the library of the late Governor Pennypacker, and of it he has left the accompanying autographic account:

"The recovery of this important book is an interesting bibliographic incident.

"About 1894 at a sale at the house of a man named Kriebel on the Skippack I bought a lot of old books and They were sent to my office in the Girard Building, Phila., and there all that seemed of value were taken home. Among the neglected rubbish was this MS. with the front leaves gone and a date at the end 1772. on top of a box for two years. On giving up the office it was gathered along with other things and taken to my house where it lay on a shelf unnoticed for four years longer. One day in 1900 it casually caught my attention and the words 'Der einsamen Turtle tauben,' the peculiar language of the Ephrata people, led me to give it careful I found that the turtle dove was singing 'in the silent woods' and, happy chance, one hymn was dated in July, 1707, too early for Ephrata, and signed J. G. S. could only be the work of the Hermits of the Wissahickon. Then I recognized in the earlier pages and identified the handwriting of Kelpius and the revelation was complete.

"Kelpius wrote in it and indexed nineteen hymns. Of these we have seven entire, parts of two others, and the titles of the rest. There is only one other Kelpius MS. extant. "Another of the hermits as yet unidentified, perhaps Henry Bernhard Köster, added thirteen hymns. Then Johann Godfried Seelig wrote four hymns and fortunately signed and dated one of them in 1707. It is the only MS. of Seelig which the ravages of time have spared.

"Its later history can only be conjectured. Treasured as long as the community lasted, and then trusted to chance, it fell into the hands of some crude person who wrote in it, in 1772, the hymn which misled me, and it was then knocked about the garrets of country farm houses, losing twelve of its leaves, until it came into my possession and was bound.

"Rescued original material concerning a romantic and obscure people, may it no longer lack care.

Saml W. Pennypacker May 12, 1900''

## JOHANNES KELPIUS, PENNSYLVANIA'S EARLIEST MUSICIAN DR. CHRISTOPHER WITT EARLY ORGANIST

#### JOHANNES KELPIUS, PENNSYLVANIA'S EARLIEST HYMNOLOGIST AND MUSICIAN

Johannes Kelpius, mystic philosopher, and one of the most picturesque characters of Pennsylvania's early history, was a native of Transylvania, Germany. Little is known of his antecedents save that he was the son of Pfarrer George Kelp of Halwegen, who, at the time of his decease, February 25, 1685, was resident clergyman at Denndorf, Transylvania, in the same district as Halwegen, where, probably, Johannes, the youngest of his three sons, was born.\*

At the University of Altdorf, a town near Nüremberg in Bavaria, the future philosopher and scholar received a thorough academic and religious education and was graduated with honors in 1689. Immediately thereafter he was selected by his preceptor, the Rev. Johannes Fabricius,† as assistant in the preparation of a Latin work, which, printed in 1690, bore upon its title-page the names of both master and scholar, an unusual procedure for that period. Kelpius's native language was the German but he was familiar with Hebrew, Greek, Latin and English.

In the pursuit of his studies Magister Kelpius was led to become a follower of the well known divine Philip Jacob

<sup>\*</sup>For fuller details of his immediate family vide "The Pietists of Provincial Pennsylvania," 1674-1708, pp. 221-2.

<sup>†</sup> Rev. Dr. Johann Jacob Fabricius of Helmstadt to whom Kelpius wrote from Pennsylvania in 1705, refuting the reports that he inclined to the doctrines of the Society of Friends, or had assimilated with any special religious group other than the Brotherhood.



Johannes Kelpius

From the painting, by Dr. Christopher Witt, 1705. In possession of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Spener\* (1635–1705), founder of the Pietists, who had formulated the doctrine that, only those inspired by the Holy Ghost could understand the Scriptures; and in London, he came into contact with Jane Leade, the head of the Philadelphists, † another mystic sect. Naturally, his peculiar views met with opposition, in spite of the fact that the spirit of inquiry was rife in the religious world under the name of Quietism in the Roman church, and Pietism, Chiliasm and Philadelphianism in the Protestant churches. This opposition, quite as naturally, bred the desire to live where religious liberty might be enjoyed, and led Kelpius and his followers to plan for a removal to Pennsylvania.

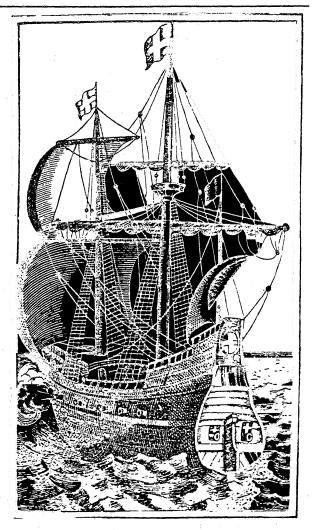
At the age of twenty-one years, Magister Kelpius as leader, with some forty ‡ others of like faith, embarked on the ship Sara Maria, Captain Tanner, master, for the eventful voyage to the New World, February 13th, 1694. Of this voyage the mainsprings of information are the Kelpius manuscript diary, § and Daniel Falkner's letter, or Send-

<sup>\*</sup>For an engraved portrait, vide the Ferdinand J. Dreer Collection, in The Historical Society of Pennsylvania; copy in "The Pietists of Pro-VINCIAL PENNSYLVANIA."

<sup>†</sup> A society formed in England by the celebrated Jane Leade and others, originally for the purpose of studying and explaining the writings of Jacob Boehme, the inspired shoemaker of Görlitz. The outcome of this movement was a league of Christians who insisted on depth and inwardness of the spirit. There were a number of women identified with the Mystical and Pietistic movements of that day, of whom Jane Leade, Johanna von Merlau, Rosamunde von Asseburg were, perhaps, the most celebrated.

<sup>‡</sup>A curious fact in connection with the Mystics of the Wissahickon is that no complete list of the membership is known. Diligent search among the official records in Europe and America has thus far failed to give additional information as to who composed the original chapter.

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{\lozenge}\xspace Vide$  fac-simile copy, Collections of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania.



The Sara Maria, Captain Tanner, master, 1694. From the "Pietists of Provincial Pennsylvania."

schreiben,\* from Germantown, dated August 7th, 1694, to friends in Germany and Holland; the two accounts agreeing as to facts, with an occasional difference in minor details. From the first source comes that which is, perhaps, the first note of music wafted to the land of the Quaker Proprietary. In the language of Kelpius: "Our exercises on board the ship consisted in discourses of various kinds and interpretations of the Scripture, in which those who felt inclined took part. We had also prayer meetings and sang hymns of praise and joy, several of us accompanying on instruments that we had brought from London."

On the evening of June the twelfth, 1694, those on the Sara Maria sighted the land of desire and reached the public wharf, opposite the Blue Anchor Tavern, † in the city of Penn, ‡ on Saturday, June the twenty-third, arriving on the twenty-fourth, St. John the Baptist's Day, § at German-

\*Translation in full by the late Dr. Oswald Seidensticker, "Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography," vol. xi, pp. 430, et seq.

†This ancient hostelrie stood at what is now the northwest corner of Front and Dock Streets; it was taken down in 1810. An extended account of this landing place will be found in the "Pennsylvania Magazine of History," vol. x, p. 61.

‡Then in its infancy. Christ Church was not built until 1695. The first Baptist congregation on the Pennepack had no house of worship until the year 1707. (Horatio Gates Jones' Historical Sketch, p. 11). The Presbyterians erected their first church in 1704. The Swedish Blockhouse at Wicacoa, although still standing, was then (1694) in a very ruinous condition, so much so that no services could be held in the building. The old Dutch pastor, Jacobus Fabricius, so far back as 1685 petitioned the Provincial Council for permission to keep an ordinary or tavern [for the support of himself and family]. This was refused by Council in the curt sentence that "they don't think fitt to grant ye Petitioners request." Vide "Doc. Hist. N. Y.," iii, 243; "Hallische Nachrichten," new ed., pp. 619–20. The present church at Wicacoa, "Gloria Dei" or "Old Swedes'," was not built until the year 1700.

§ St. John's Day and Christmas Day are the two natal days of the Christian Calendar Year; the other days of observance are memorial days.

town, where the German emigrants and those from Holland had already settled under the leadership of Francis Daniel Pastorius,\* the German jurist.

At Germantown, Kelpius and his followers attracted much attention by their dress, peculiar doctrines and holy way of living. Shortly after their arrival they acquired a tract of 175 acres,† part of the range of hills which formed the rugged dell through which flowed the yellow waters of the Wissahickon. On this a log house, known as The Tabernacle, was built at the highest point. The structure, forty feet square, especially designed for the requirements of the brethren, is said to have contained a large room for their religious and musical services, in addition to a school room and the separate cell-like rooms for the Theosophist fraternity. Surmounting the roof was an observatory equipped with telescopes and other instruments for the observation of the heavens, some of the scientific members being constantly on the lookout for celestial phenomena. About two hundred yards from the Tabernacle, near a cool spring of water, known to this day as the "Hermit's Spring on the Wissahickon," was built Kelpius' Cave, sixteen feet long by nine feet wide and eight high. According to the Ephrata MSS., this cell, or cave, known as the "Laurea" was fitted up with much taste and ingenuity, containing besides many books, curious utensils for chemical and

<sup>\*</sup> Vide Watson's "Annals of Philadelphia," vol. ii, pp. 20-1.

<sup>†</sup>Situated on what is the east side of Hermit Lane, in Roxborough, in the Twenty-first Ward of Philadelphia, and extending down to the Wissahickon. The strip of land along the banks of the creek, is now included within the bounds of Fairmount Park.

<sup>†</sup> Vide Lippard's "Paul Ardenheim; or, The Monk of the Wissahickon," p. 68.

philosophical purposes.\* This term Laurea appears only in the Ephrata MSS. It may have had some reference to Laurentium, a classic grove on the Aventine Hills.

Here the Hermits of the Ridge, or Wissahickon, lived in an unbroken brotherhood for ten years, preaching and teaching, cultivating a large garden for their support and giving considerable attention to growing and acclimating medicinal herbs. This last industry was, probably, the first systematic attempt in America to raise European plants for curative purposes.

After the establishment of the Fraternity, called by the Brethren themselves "The Contented of the God-loving Soul," † but by the populace at large "The Society of the Woman in the Wilderness," I Magister Kelpius sought, as the chief object of the Chapter, to bring about a union of the various sects then existing among the Germans in Pennsylvania, into one Christian Church, thus antedating the present-day Federation of Churches by more than two hundred years. For this purpose public devotional services, advocating Christian love and unity, were held morning and evening in the great room of the Tabernacle, opening with a prayer and hymn, followed by a reading of Scripture and the dispassionate discussion of abtruse or unsettled points. Visitors of whatever nationality or creed, were welcomed by the brethren.

<sup>\*</sup> All trace of the astronomical and scientific apparatus brought over at various times and used by the Brethren in their speculations has long since been lost, save the Horologium Achaz now in the possession of the American Philosophical Society. Vide Sachse's "Pietists in Pennsylvania" (1895), pp. 71, et seq.; 113 et seq.; pp. 205-6.

<sup>†</sup> Ephrata MSS.

<sup>‡</sup>This name, Dass Weib in der Wüste, was applied because of the Fraternity's belief and teaching that the Woman in the Wilderness of Revelation, xii. 14-17, was prefigurative of the great deliverance about to be consummated in the Millennium.

Other cherished objects of Kelpius and the Brother-hood were the conversion of the Indians, and a systematic educational movement among the Germans. To the lasting honor of the noble-minded leader and his group it can be said that all services of a spiritual, educational or medical nature were given without price or expectation of reward.

The portrait of Kelpius, by Dr. Christopher Witt, painted in 1705,\* now in possession of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, shows him to have been small of stature and slight of form with a countenance indicative of broad humanity. It is said that he suffered from an affection, or paralysis, of the left eyelid, and, in addition, was of a frail constitution, which soon broke under a continuance of frugal fare and the hardships of monastic life, aggravated by his custom of retirement to his cave for retrospection and prayer. He finally succumbed in the year 1708, at the age of thirty-five, after fourteen years of service in Penn's young Province.

Thus lived and died that great and good man, Johannes Kelpius, the first Magister of the Theosophical Community on the Wissahickon. Learned and devout, eschewing worldly honors and civil power, he sacrificed his life to the interests of humanity, and in preparing himself and his followers for the millennium which he believed was close at hand. Buried at the sunset hour, to the chanting of a solemn *De Profundis*, probably in the garden or orchard of the Tabernacle, as a loosened snow-white dove

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Believed to be the earliest extant portrait painted in America." This statement in Pennypacker's "Settlement of Germantown," p. 226, should be amended to read, the earliest extant portrait painted in Pennsylvania.

winged its way heavenward,\* no man now knoweth his sepulcher, but his memory lives on in story and song. Whittier's Pennsylvania Pilgrim portrays him in his hermit den,

"Reading the books of Daniel and of John, And Behmen's Morning-Redness, through the Stone Of Wisdom, vouchsafed to his eyes alone."

Kelpius's contribution to musical life in Pennsylvania makes him, in this particular, the first outstanding figure of the early eighteenth century. Not only was he the composer of hymns and primitive musical scores, but there is strong probability that the first organ in Pennsylvania, the one used in Gloria Dei at the ordination of Justus Falckner, in 1703, as well as the viol, hautboy, trumpets and kettle drums, which also figured on that occasion, were brought by Magister Kelpius and his fellows in 1694, and had been in use at the Tabernacle on the Wissahickon from that time. In some writings of Kelpius reference is made to an organ. There is also an account stating that Dr. Witt and others of the Community built an organ at Wissahickon at an early day. Among other musical instruments brought by the Brotherhood was a virginal, a keved instrument somewhat resembling a pianoforte. The first church organ introduced into Christ Church, Philadelphia, was obtained in 1728, from Ludovic Christian Sprogel,† one of the survivors of the Wissahickon Brotherhood.

<sup>\*</sup>As the Brethren, looking upward and with uplifted hands, thrice repeated the invocation: "Gott gebe ihm eine seilege auferstehung" [God grant him a blessed resurrection].—Muhlenburg MSS. Vide Sachse's Pietists, pp. 246-8.

<sup>†</sup> Ludovic Christian Sprogel was a son of the Rev. John Henry Sprogel, an eminent author and teacher of the seminary at Quedlinburg. His mother,

The music of Kelpius and the Brotherhood may have been primitive, archaic perhaps, as were their instruments; but it was music's beginning in Pennsylvania, as the Eighteenth century struggled into being, a century to which the twentieth owes much.

Susanna Margaretta, was a daughter of the celebrated composer of music, Michael Wagner. His brother, John Henry Sprogel, who joined the Rosicrucian theosophists in or about 1700, became involved in land troubles with Daniel Falkner. After the departure of Falkner from Pennsylvania and the virtual disbanding of the Brotherhood all the books, particularly those of a theological nature, came into the possession of John Henry Sprogel and eventually into the hands of his brother Ludovic, who, in 1728 gave such as were orthodox to the Rector and Vestry of Christ Church, Philadelphia. In the keeping of Christ Church these volumes, mostly folios, still remain, an epitome of the profoundest religious thought of the XVI and XVII Centuries. Their book plate is a silent witness to the wisdom of the giver: "Ex dono Ludovici Christiani Sprogell ad Bibliothicam Ecclesiae Anglicanae, in Philadelphia, Die Decembris 24, 1723."

In the same year, 1728, Christ Church obtained from Ludovic Sprogel its first organ. Concerning this transaction the vestry minutes of September 2, records that the "committee having been appointed by the vestry 'to treat with Mr. Lod. C. Sprogel, about an organ lately arrived here, report that they have done the same, and that he insisted on £200 for said organ; and that they had procured men of the best skill this place could afford, to erect the said organ in a convenient house in town, to make trial thereof; which being done, it is said the organ proves good in its Kind, and large enough for our church.' 'It was thereupon, Resolved, That the said organ be purchased for the use of Christ Church in Philadelphia, and that Peter Baynton and others be a committee to procure subscriptions for that purpose, to appoint a suitable place to erect it in, and that they order the moving it into the church forthwith, from the place where it now is.'"

Was this "organ" the instrument that had accompanied the voices of the Brotherhood as they chanted the morning and evening hymn of praise? Was it the one that had accompanied them on the Sara Maria's eventful voyage of 1694, with many of the pious books given by Sprogel to Christ Church in 1728? Had it been constructed by Dr. Witt, or, had it come direct from the old World, and in that sense "lately arrived" in Philadelphia? Sachse in his "Pietists" stresses the fact of an organ referred to by Kelpius, and to a statement that Dr. Witt and others of the Brotherhood had built an organ at Germantown, or Wissahickon, at an early date—Vide The "Pietists" of Provincial Pennsylvania," p. 354; Dorr's "Historical Account of Christ Church, Philadelphia," p. 61.

Dr. Christopher Witt, translator of the Kelpius hymns and the last surviving member of the theosophical Community that once occupied the Tabernacle on the Wissahickon, is said to have been born in Wiltshire, England, in 1675. Coming to Pennsylvania in 1704 he at once joined himself to Kelpius and the Brotherhood. was then in his twenty-ninth year and, in addition to being a skillful physician and naturalist, was well versed in the occult sciences and in practical astronomy. was too an expert botanist. After the death of Kelpius, whom he attended in his last illness, and the partial dismemberment of the Community, he removed to Germantown where he planted a large garden for his own recreation and financial betterment. This is said to have been the first botanical garden in Pennsylvania, antedating John Bartram's by about twenty years. Among his other accomplishments Dr. Witt was an ingenious mechanic, the first maker of clocks in Pennsylvania, and something of a musician and artist. He possessed a large pipe organ, believed to have been of his own construction, and, at that time, the only one in the possession of a private individual in the American Colonies. He was a skilled performer on the "virginal," a keyed instrument of one string, jack and quill to each note like a spinet, but resembling an upright piano in shape. His translation of the Kelpius hymn-book and his portrait of the Magister make him a valuable contributor to the first chapter of "Church Music" and "Musical Life in Pennsylvania in the Eighteenth Century."

Towards the close of January, 1765, Dr. Witt died, having done good to all men during his long life of ninety years, and was laid to rest in the old Warner burial ground in Germantown. Among those certainly known to have been his students in medicine were Christopher Saur, Jacob

Philadelphia who obtained distinction in Europe, the Christian Warners, father and son, and John Kaighn of Haddonfield. His will, probated February 4th, 1765, after a mention of his nephew, William Yates, to whom he had previously conveyed a stone house on Main Street, Germantown, manumitted his trusty mulatto servant, Robert Coleman, giving him a certain tract of land, and "all instruments appertaining to the making of clocks," also "my great clock which strikes the quarters." To the Pennsylvania Hospital Dr. Witt bequeathed £60 for the use of the poor in said hospital. The residue of his estate was given to his friend Christian Warner, 3rd. His personal property was appraised at £314, 5, 0. The following items from the inventory of his effects are of interest.

Organ																		£40- 0-0
Virginal .																		1-15-0
Telescope																		1~10-0
Maps and	oic	tu	re	8														1- 5-0
Belongings	to	a	po	th	eca	ari	es	ar	nd	I	00	to:	r's	w	ay			60- 0-0
Two Clocks																		30- 0-0
One Clock																		15- 0-0
Clockmake	r's	to	ol	s														3- 0-0

The "virginal" of Dr. Witt's inventory was probably that obtained by him, in 1725, from the effects of the then deceased Mrs. Mary Margaret Zimmerman, widow of Magister John Zimmerman, who originally organized the Community of the Woman in the Wilderness on the Wissahickon. As Mrs. Zimmerman came to Pennsylvania with her fatherless children in 1694, on the Sara Maria, the virginal accompanied her and was without doubt the first of its kind in the Province, whether it had belonged primarily to her, or to the Community.\*

<sup>\*</sup>Jenkins' "Guide Book to Historic Germantown," pp. 85, 88; Sachse's "Pietists," pp. 403, et seq; Watson's "Annals of Philadelphia," vol. ii, p. 22; Sachse's "Jacob Philadelphia," a monograph, (1897).

## THE HYMN BOOK

 $\mathbf{or}$ 

## MAGISTER JOHANNES KELPIUS

TRANSLATED BY

DR. CHRISTOPHER WITT

at Advertisonment

The German hymne in this book was composed chiefly, & ale arranged, by John Ocelpiaes a Gorman Startant of Him statt in Germany, who came to Rolle bourseis in the year 1694 when they is sittled as a realigious hermit & died there in 1408, at about the age of 35 yr He was much visited by rate wing Parple. The tought the neighborning children grates; & occasionally prevaled to those Who writes him - Rekept his foremed to Latin; water English flowsthy; of in his witting shows himself to be familian with years Melvew. He was a gentleman by brills tune said to be of Noble alleance The byment in this books are not his own proper hand but are again; of the English of them is the hand writing of composition of Dock De With , who I drew the Portrait of Kelping as herain quien - these memoranda made this 1" oct . 1823. by SF Waton

Rlag limes, am: 3: vers. am: 2: to

His git ho foron if haft shir mift gar and find.

Faire barnfroting hair fat most dain forte; Tombres

fin if alla Morgan Main, and Sima drain if Groft.

Soifina Marnarin i 705 in Grandom in Pensilvanien

Lamant" 3, 22, 23. If is of the Lords Mercips that we are not conjumed, because his compassions fail not.
They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. Christina Adamnerin 1705 In German town in Pennyylvania.

J.N. J. The Lamenting Voice of the

Flidden Love,
at the time
when the lay in Myery & for faken;
and opposite by the inactitude

The first memics. Composed by one for Kumber. Mich. VII. 8.9.10. Much vir. s. g. no
Lejoure not against me C mine Enemy when I full. I had a rife; when I lit in darkness, the word shall be a light unip me. I will bear the indignation of the LOTO, because I have fund gainst him, until he plead my cause, & execute suggest for me: he will bring me forth the light, & I had behold his rightconfuer. Then worth the light, & I had behold his rightconfuer. hen that is mine enemy shall fee it, and shame shall cover her which faid unto me there is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shalk he more of the Straits be tradden Sown Hefter Signifies Secret or Hidden; & Haman, 6) Lennsylvania in America 1765. B. That Cumbet is here above, speldicit

Of the Wilderness of the Secret, on Prople ... Dirgin Crop Love . 1. Rust Part Tracts Friend case to see Tohond what Receles, quet Solitude, in Conglom Roddle ringles; for Herons deadly Sich, Rodone four Doy by days. For joy to see his firmed he fainted quate away. the french emoraced him, with trying to relieve him. This loves a pretty while before John could proceed the fishance pays the french, I know what troubles there what was there and eight

And since thou court not now as formerly enjoy her, will thou now in Crief & floods of Tears Dipaier: Thou thinket if first Love last & from if former path, And that if Lord doth now chastife the in his wrath. covereplied John, & can't therefrom defend mes. his Life-confining-fire; yet Arive, with Doubt to mend me: Face my toworthy nets, & my unfaithful with, The Mountain of my Sur Still comes before my Sys. and Oh! how can I be so bold this Grace to do me? that I do Love deserve, or yet encline unto me The Kigh & Holy Mind Juck Javours me to do; Polited as I am, provid yet be gracious too? , who the first love have most hanfully for taken and in if trying times, the Right way have milake The Best of all my Works, with Jelf-look diety My then despised for, has therefore now me feet ew lye I have explained, & in my Grief entarglad; Soul doth with with fobs to be but only from Preference of Manhind, is there no Ren for me 1. If the Replyid the french, as I have faid those length ince experience them want to those facts now Those which they feeretly problem. Thou know ! the Mother not, who the in two corrects e privily that book to privat grief thank to us thou sout not the Sun Than from the ful Yet in finitelades I Want May suffice thes That the districted Sant somewhat sufreship

So

Second Part. This Secret Love is like to thosp-tword-pointed weapons. Which Inwandevery where does bround thee a new hospons. But when out of they felf, they Lover thou shell wound, Then will thy Body be, with Soul & Spirit found. The fecret Jefus love is like one deeply wounded. Whole Inward blading Aux, despin if Heart is founded: Nothing can ease this Pain & nought can one it Rest, Till it's note of Heart of it's Beloved prest. hink, faid he, on if Stream, which by its filent flowing. And Rikness of its 866, its Depth there by is showing : So can & Ground of Love at once not well be feen , Untill the Swis bright beams just over it has been . Consider precious Gold, how deep it lies insufed The Bowels of of Earth, & Mall it once be weed. So must it through if fire its greatest heat be born ... Then may it after be as Gown and Septer worn: Mow fivest wine must ferment, thou may's thy self be thunking, Defore the faces can be to the bottom finking: Hawling it Ges stopt up, before it springs it Glass. Before it Neckar like, the Heart & Mind rejoyce Think upon thy own Heart, the fountain of they being Its motion may be felt, but he'er was known by feeing: So will i Love without, be fectet and withwown But in & inward part that her sovietold fire is blown. Much on all kind of Roots, how in y garth, they flowersh. And therein feel theer food, the Plant & Seed to nowish.

Sp. covered groweth Love, as all her fruits do Thow 4 And is not Kindewed by Heat, Winter, frost or Snow .. Consider the Sunflower, in Dark & Cloudy Weather, How faithfully the turns her face to her dear lover; Until The's Pregnant grown & bears like him a Seed : Then Rols fie & does bow in gratitude her head . So if Senceable Plant, how if it be but touched, Braitway Meds its Seed, altho in Posts tis couched: It will by Heavens Dow be touched quite alone, And only looks upon but by the Thing Jun. Consider Sirgen Love, how Chart & Clean it gloweth; How trong, yet Secret fill, so that person knoweth, Mg, not her Dear himself: The block's to bash rulface, And Speechless quiteshe is when He doth her embrace. How grieveth the her felf when the count of pie him? Her Joul is fill dwith 100, because the is not by him: The Grieves, he Longs, the Hopes, he four the fight the faints And yet her Only Dear, Unknown, does cause these plaints, Unworthy thinks he her, to be by Hin beloved . Whom in Steen the holds, the best that ever moved The The Kim regards, the less the thinks of Her; And her own Vertues the does never think on more. Has Stature's her delight, Her Sofe is in his living, Her Love into his Love the only will be giving Whe He lives not content, Her Life does want its broth, Thinks The He loves her not, The grieves her left tofer ofly thinking is how five may pleas him better, reduline fees & hears, must as his Echo meet her in Row joys & formings he then but when he does could. And for her felf alone, he thinks her felf Bornes.

24. is grieve her heartily that hee's become so foolish I that by means of love; her Hopes will now grow cooling The naw grows deadly fick, nought halps on frongthers. But only her Dear Love, if the could be him near. uk on a Mothers state, in what a privet manner, to to her felf unknown her fruit he feedeth in her. er Obent Heart needs will hade when their progrant grown, The will in fecret be with Mothers Care alone. vid to the latest hour, before the is Delivered, gives her Courage last, & from al Hope is feveral The thinketh on no joy, but Trouble, fear, and Pain, But Anguish Grief & Hand, is our, & our again. with on the Lord him felf, the author of thy being We near thirty years did keep from vulgar feeings this Converse was with God, not minded by the sews Nor is it yet well known how he this time did we. ink on his Agony, the Scriptures only houses it, fel gaperience the test of all explains it: low in his greatest need his father him for food. east him down to Hell he this occasion book . Bids thee follow him, but not to go before him, e on the Crops , & There, on his Right hand adore him let forceth he no man, each one may will or no; trefere make now thy Choice, whilf thouse y now to full of thoughts will thou yet make election? I tell the free, make thereof no Reflection, ou hangft now on the (roft take care & come no on & Jewish will, be faithful, wine i Crown 31. Sive

re up thy felt to God! He yet will bind be faker an he has ever done, Think not of they Difaster by Sins & folier past, force God has givethe Ret And thinks on them no more, But only for they & el have benething more I would have faid unto the lef-love not being Dead, it may form dammage do thes: Spare it at this time; In what then hat be true, So will be when I come Soule and Body New. Third Part. here on the Frind did leave Johannes much relieved, is his very Soul most fadly he was grieved by frinds hafte he could not along while well diget his chief hope cut ith milt, a thereby lot of bet. brake he forth, & faid, So be then Inward turned word Ofove ! inme, until this House is flormed. There may raifed be infread of this my Old, Till Deified my foil may therein the behold. ance wound me more & move, by they loves facred power; I may find its frength, Working every hour or killing of my Arength, till through & Red fee press to thee, there fore come, wound me more ie doson upon my Stream, that it in quiet Stiffness, Run both In Sout, out of they boundlest fulnes. get I may fee in Me The with a Radiant Beam, tand thou felt O Sun, & Thine upon my Stream. abo me as Living Gold, after thou haft me urged on worldly Wandlies, & through of Grop me purged: The Test is wanting still, which therefore make me bay , Welt farther forth, make ma as living fall. 38. Mecka

ke me as the New Wine! from many noble Berries. Tamblike Doshues! & by hill fermenting heroes K all the forces fall, and I a Guest of them May in thy Kingdom fit . Make me as the new wine ake a new Heart in me, & only in the living . Sacred Write & alleways in the Moving! And that it might exact in Intent, only these For ever, so O'Lord Make a new Heart in me. o, lover thou the Root begotten from the founting full it dower down when they falt lovel hat covered it may bide & bring its ripned; In Drouth Gwelnest too, It cover thou the Root wer, let after that be turning; ovive night & Drivares for the Mourhing did they form in the the Orretus hath full p let no falce love betale me evn thy Angels not! But only Thine let guide me ! at half but Thine Stemally, this count! Whing I may feel tunnown may remain the pure Vergen low cave for me felected by it or not how the Love has gre after ince I done not behold my only Lover thee. 45. Unever.

inworthy an Iquite; how can I thus decreve me ? yet methinks thou must at last in love receive the: fye! His Selfish love ! fye, Proudest Helish might: herefore I Jay with Grief, Unworthy am I quite wo like I'my own wife! how love I'my own living! wo can I with felf-love my felf be thus deceiving! When I lives not content of love is cold as Ice, And yet I think I love! So love I my own wife . w finely do I think! but after my own marfure; d what They & hour must Scho to my Pleafure: How joyful Spring I then But then again Thronk, see Me, in Me Belove! To finly do I think. hall be foomed by fools, through this my felfish loving wever I will fill in Just & Hope be Moving will with Bariel ory Steeps thou OGod of Souls fave Me from Me, that I be not of form of fools. mother doth her fruit, so do thou Secret food me Marina, me wiknown, upon my Elgrand pure ight me is the it place, hold prome the end me flik by the Hand as Mother dol enter of my faith let me remain so hidden hou hast done before, will they Day is bidden Midnight on to Break! Il hold, as faces ill thou hast Ble fed me, O Center of my fac way pierce through, Calcine and Koup eater need for take. I show & thereby Kill think on they

Let me but follow thee, not frive to go before thee; Let me Here on the Grops, There, on thy Right address. Through Death & Hellift four through Kednons Black of Sea, Into thy Glory, so let me But follow the. Conclution But Thou Divinest Love! who thy felf hast begund, This work of Love in its befreughen us to Sun it:

Perfect it quite! & let us plainly for this is

(In this way of & Cross) the Love its Wilderness. The Process of Love, growing in Death. ... By occasion of a Frind that would hate me. 13. The first & third part may be jung on the following & if 2 milpart on met p. j.

First Part . Iduannes \* My lincere, fordial friend, who touderly me loved, Because of my vile Sin, with Heavy greef was moved. So that he was at lost quite with me discord; Then thought I on Soplie, & thus I gave it voit Thou Comfort of my Soul 'Shall Tof the be hated! . Will then this pranch of love be in its Bloom abouted! Which never yet hath brought forth fruit of pure box; May, kare the buildy lafe, & lover does remove. O North Is then through thee of foring the quite fig-Which was so full of Rope, so Early & so Blefed! O couleft finful worm! haff thou thus made to perit The Jap which did my Soul as Dew of Heaven cherit. How did my Soul rejours, when its dead feed appearing In it to Germinate, the New name so endearing! When after all i fears & Doutful Wars , that I Should Death have longuers . & it turned to Victory. thought now is of fee once perfectly fuldued; y Life I've found again forever wore renewed! Sophi ny dearest Love refrested me Day Whight And what ever I could with was by her brought did Traumph with poy, I mode most loving Plat object til i kind with fresh repycing Palmer. Say half in a Trance upon his Boing Break, And drow with full content, of Life of printest Ack God where an Inow! I he almost Jorken ! wander Day & night in deadly baths mighaten? The fore with proudest might has quite environt pre. And I Sout murther my gang referring this to for.

Spel nought in my Heart, But corrupt Sin a Riving My Spirit ever fees Deluding Lights of Erring I know for griof of Heart not what, nor how, nor who! And all my Spirit vents is Still Alas! and Oh! The Heavn against me is to Stee, & Metal changed ! And what I've ver missione is now beforeme panged! My Intreaties are Vain! & all my Sight despited By all my flood of Tears, my Soul's in Death difunded Jong, & Sigh allways, yet know not that I'm morning! Mik do with & thirst, & yet no Drouth am owning ! I yex & trouble me, yet know no Grief at all! Since between Me, & Me, there is become a wall! Second Part, the found. first weart thou but one but in it fall divided, as Sophia thee brought through Penitery Vert thou then full of Joy & thouhlest one to With Her, whose God head glance had though only But as the through the Gold this nothingned revealed, her freewyt thou that y Sin in the was but concealed, And very finful fill; then first began the frits; Arthor perceived this, divided was the Life fled as Death's Body marks his own defruction near him, secante of NEW no more with tenful Sufts would chear him. Then did he gat himself as in him felf eway'd So will at last the MEW from him be diflingaged. 8 This is not the Heir (which Sophia never his haled ince She's United to, & Kim in Her translated)

It is the forreign Wild, of & Old Serpents breed, 12. Whom The of Death has sworn, & thou dost hate indeed.

Third Part, Johannes.

Since therefore all these foes, Goss, Marter Sorrow, Anguish, So truly help to kill, & this strange (hild extinguish, They do the greatest good good that one may truck or his

They do the greatest good good that one may hink or by, Nay had God them with held, Thurehad lost my way.

Why hould I not them then, not dearly love forever, And in & future world with endless joy & favour :

I who, but lakely too, their futhful Comerned 1983;

And they now only Do what Though brought to pres

They know not what they do, but Certain is thy Terrous, Thou Confort of my foul yet blows thy Love & favour. Thy Mothers het blows in midd of all the trouve

Thy mothers yet blows in mish of all thy frown, Which truly has me fought when I aftray was gone

Godly Love! thou halt of this work made Begining; And yet thou know A I lie in Death enfrared for fining.

Opil me quite to the My felf, away from Me and joyn All to they felf, then will I fing to Thee-

Thanks, for they Quastifement, Smile for if Stripes to being and for all these Cross ways, frame for this Marter moving Themes, for Shame & Scott Strength, for y androw speath.

Might for Baptiful Cup! & Glory for the Death.

he trile t friend him is here plain for immenting , the willing & not will like loving & fife haling. Thou love t what I did love I hate withou dely hate.

How should we then not be but only One wnate ,

how will thee from & world unpotted heep thee larger, That will I too; Thou well in Divine love grows That will I too; Thou will be fill the least alone, That will I too; So is gur Will and only One. how hat'A when I keep not my Deffet clean from Moth holy me too; Thou hat It when I'm love grow wilder, Thate me too; Thou hat It when Swid forthing be Thate me too; fo if one hate entiralis . To love the when I my Princely State preserveth to love I mg: Thou low the when I my Office Ferveth to love I mg. Thou book when I must noight will be to love I ma; so if I feel One entire lie. Tince then our frindship has in brying tamer fund oven he ford energies it more is strongther it from Howen. So that it fear no might may Thur of brath to come. But may Trimmen above by God in Parite Kingdom.

14.

Bitter Sweet night Ode 14 of the dying But Contained By the Confidence on that the Confi is the North Soul.

Nedge of Love, segre to the Soul.

from Souther offer in a het pow plageth best these chiefly flows require. In pleaseth the no pay now worth in day flower. Bucause my founding Heart feels withing but reallies west his it of on Took male when the the second of th Course only define yet am afrond of Swing. Serving Ent of State . The see Topolis when friving , A the gives and serving as the lover front. Therefore housest compact the bound of the Sweet. that we asked die stat he ter gettersgrupe to what inches de die stat he ter get type breath or what inches de doth burn and never four a Louth.

Most hidden workest thou, much like if Starry order Jour art thou feen, from not, from art thou near, from further. The Sweet thou hopest back, fewlit biller Myrch a fare; Thus open't then in Death, to Life the friest door. So Playest thou with me spuch play files me with anguish, ince I good Easuest See I can the thorp distinguish. Most freightful is they Sooninge & Unging is they were. Yel Rest Thave not tell I great in thee my Dove. Resigned to the will with Control Jam filed I but look five full, the by the I am hilled : I but not Thou in me, b, do these two combine, And make them whally one, twill be a joy divine! On when! when will thou then when wilt thou my fe When will then four & west, Rejaying with our growing Unite through they down (rols! OLife in Death his the When will thou INC & The write in God in God The Quickly lasteth long, yet Jin waiting see these O give Content & Grace to be in all like to the Just best the first of yeth be yet best the first of yet. Out praye the fish in all my bitter we ged Since thou givest me no leave, as yet, to love thee. Will, as goods Jean , religh to what thou'll henve me So good as ever Ican; yet this Jenust confess Is my chief Newtordom, & brings in e most diffres. This is my this fest worth! this wathth me with This dryeth up my flet tis this confuge my Marte stack greet of heart I weet datup, trall at good! And must also besides yet finely his the Rod! 13 A backing

A Speaking Boice K To dyeth the Old wit, and cometh into stillness, Thus is they Heart unnusht, & fees his on it Stenes:
Thus Bitter well be Lovet, from He win is to fave,
Thus will they Old Man be Embar ? In his grave
The Soul I then will love my Gob, fince Her I dere not love more, Her whome I days not name, for shame & hearts opposture: It have it since I think it comes with good intent. And as faithful Pledge of future Love is fent . Contradiction. He that can fing so fine, has little four of dying Who speaks so much of Love in fact has little lying : None highly greeves indeed on whom no grief is foon, This shows that wretchedly thou hast seduced been. Objection. The white Swan fingeth fine, but when fine is a dying, The Mouth als speaks out what in the heart is lying i The fadeing flower heirs her trouble when her brught. Therefore this shows that Live to doubt has mereduals Conclution. the as the Birth apens by Ongeigh con near doing. The Bitter when mode hoes has ardiale in it lying: The feeding Hower was then first the feel of joight. To also through the Dorth, the food to feel is brought.





Thy Spirit deals not in sharp, willy words subborned, Norther first thou at the foot stool of the Learned:
Thy Heart's only in love with Christ his thorny leaven;
The Soul sees Jesus on as frind before the Throne.

There feeled thou Kelp & Means, Aftrength for Souls distresed, This the Art to steat the Fathers heart, most befed: That He would yet his Grace to a poor Sinner land, And him y Koly Ghost for lasting comfort send.

This is Aught well beloved, This this does Arix exactly,
The Bolts of Heaven Door open to thee directly;
To receive Grace for Grace, for thee & also Me;
Thanks be for Juck kind love, to Love eternally.
Second Part 6

Well who her not for jakes, that Once has tolk her favour, That so he might at last in full pufefion have her that tolk of burfts for her everyone. And waiteth Day & Hight contented at her Boar.

Content, but without Rest; Content, but full desire; A Content, but wishing state, & Longuez to be by her: Now hopest thou she will yet once more gracious bo The strikes a Thunder-chap and sally frighten that.

To very soldom have the loving ones Ontentment.
They cannot conquer quite Surprise seas, 4 Resembnent: ...
Lunce Conquest make them weak, 4 frength does water them from
The best which they esteem is Nothingness most door.

This Unier greatest strongth house life its growth does borous?
Thing chief designt is Joy grant from I comet forrow: \\
Yest Trouble only grows who most does love admire.
He fees his nothingness, who most does love defire.
To When

10. When Arongthened by Love, then Weakings forms & dearest, (a) When feering quite for book, then are they Her of nearest: (6) When treated like a stog, shall have a field his store (c) When they are filent quite, their Savious speaks & more (d) (a) 2001. 129, 10 (6) mall fr. 26. (d) Zake 7. 47. the as if Love clos grow, to grows this Distontentment Per deepest wound doth make it Heart y sweetst resembnent. And when the griefy so great that Soul & Body faints, Then jungs She first Love's praise inspite of all her plaints. Love is as strong a Death for as this Kills & trys it. to kileth the the Soul before the Deifies it: Therefore He loveth most, who his own doth hate. And all what ever he hall, for love to love translate. But who loves most fincere conhardly think he loveth, But thenks in his best acts he flill in croprogressionethe His Love is much to Cold, his longing quite kas vente. To tections & to flow his tears run dans his thouse. His withing for I Love he thinks but felf electron, his breathest verties days, a only interfection. His heart enforced On he deems at Linacy. his lasting of I Love has meer hypochicy. Cis most delightful speech is of his Sins directly, but fince humility is there by feen perfectly. He's filent, hoghly grievel, & to himself a fore Thus hates he his own works & doings everywre Burd Part. I found, I write not this to care thee any gregoing , In then hatt (at the felf in this they hear of coming : In that thou hat too low demond they felf & now The Father call, & fearest not to call in Thou! 17. 1. Mat

That! is not then the Thou around of God most Holy by whom exchange of Light & Darking none is felly Since He is good & Light, but I am bad & good It changes yet in me & Spirt with flesh and Blood. herefore I hould be YOU & nothing of thou favour, but fince thy heart in me the good well only favour, Therefore it call me Thou, I wifit to be alone, Without duality, with Love one only one but when shall I this ONE behold & well perceive him! Ohen Shall I quite in Hell be lost & never locuse him! When falls my little Spark into his Light intere! When will my Spirt with Hem be one pure flaning fire! told in thou Strand Defire! Thou laws thy felf discovers Till thou fall in & Lit, from which thou countity others May not one hence concluded truly thereby dite Thou would't be hereby you by him to whomethow write That does not Wit conclude ? But be to them that thinks i rue down no Evil thinks, whereto this truly links it Mirite in Surocence, & for the fort infend. And it must earnefully to God his love commend.





22 Five often made fuite;
And lought the Refreshings
Of its healing fruit;
For silling the Soul with her longed for fourt;
That in one be sloughters, or dying at least,
The wild & accurred many-headed beast.
3. I off w'thout Relitance See th' Portals of Rest, And place at a Distance The fruit of Conquest:

And see me allmost in the Fleaven to gee Most glorious Clothed before & Throne, so That I, the Lord often done look upon too. With Sin defilled Old Nature quite plestiful there. Which had it jest hidden as crucyca fair This makes me, poor Creature almost to 2 So find I'm me then no help in my need ; And what I'm begining Comes never to deed: My waiting, my Runing, my Resting, my watch; My fasting, my Brayer, sor can I, poor wretch with all my Endeavors, bus evel dispach. And crucity freely

1 when I am thinking, new or he quite dend; 28. he has but a little a side laid his head : So deep in the Heart is the Old . (ging hid! Thou Cottage defroyer (I'm thinking in me) Will thou hear my Trayer And grant il to be? Thou court make me free from the flesh & Self-love. So can I ofcend into Heaven above; Then part Soul and Body O. mighty Jehove! Je vain I am Arwing The fountain of Liveing To keep in wie, no. At is only Diece work & Tatch work with fear, Since perfect Lerfection's above, the most clear; But only the Death of the Body helps here . This can right Demolish This Cottage of Sence. And hunt the unpolisht To hall I for ever from horse be gone; So shall I the most holy Cothing put on . And be a clean Offering before the Throne. Seath has indeed parted At preferit, these twain, Which me'er shall United Or joyn'd be again. Anhoer

Yes truly! the Body again hall wife; 24. The Soul also enter, without a Difquise . And before God's judgment Shall lift up their Eyes . 11. Objection But what means is started To Cleans them I mean ; Since when they thus parted They both were unclean : The Lord is a Clean & a Confuning Light , What unclean is cannot once in his fight; I fear his wrath will upon both of them light! 12. an/wer No! Cirits Blood doth wholly Purge Body and Soul; That this makes me holy I firmly do hold . But Now? It Believing time then after Death? I thought Death releast us from all with our breath And after this parting, brought before God Both . 13. Anwer Here must I be Silent! Oh Terrible and! Since my Alond-defilement Death doth not amend : The Body in dead in for , unclean the foul. Shall Booth them then refene from stomal Hel When he thus does part thein & Imfearful Shil

Maynt I be confiding Ja Purging mean In future abiding To make me quite clean? Lince Sins are forgiven also, in that Place; Did not the Transpher unprison a Race And after Releas them through his mighty grace? 15. answer.

And what they committed Was against the Son :

Yet were they three thousand years in painful need, A terrible waiting ! till Jefus them free'd , Who Noah believed not: a long time indeed!

How long must they wait then

- Who Christ not believed.

Nor yet Conform to him as members to the Head? So is my Soul now in a much greater need ,

The High-flowing with the Worlds all-rilling god;

The Spirits of the Our, the focund deaths deed.

Enlightning Err-lights. Shine Angelick frinds; Word-wijdom and Vijions

are terrible friends !

Hine

Fine In- speaking voices & Rejoycing Love, 26.
The tempting of Voicers which from from above:
That I in all mystries may learn to improve.

O Powrful seductions
The Soul to decoy
Through faulty Confructions
Of future joy;

The freedom of Loving, of Hateing, again To be what one pleaseth without inward pain, As like to the God-head, most perfectly clean.

Such Enemies bawling
I find yet in me;
Yet hear I one calling,
I'm handing by thee:

The Foes I abolish, remain thou in me! Let me alone allways they thirt delight be, To parts us nought Here, nor in eternity. 20.

Second Part.

O Frather of Graces! .
In Need-kelping heart!
See on my Ditrefes
In deadlyst fwart!

Now open the foundain of graces most true! Thou Maker of New Worlds (realethou mestew! I joy in thy might & for it only Jue!

21. Thy

Thy Son I have chosen as Portal to these Espouse me but with him To that life in me : The Love did pression to be on earth again, And quite to desig him of his Godly brain ; To be like unto me in Life & in Pain . And Should Ithen not be Conform to the Son , And wholly curse from me What's with him not one? O. Jejus! my life & Me wholly be thine! Seek me, in all things, to the to refign ; And for ever with the in Othe to combine Thou Dyedt from Heavin Style from the Garth ; Thou leavet this old Leaven. I fee there own Birth (thy dwelling)

Thou dyeast & theyeby the didt Death detroy, Which in my Links Ruleth as God to the day; Is kill him & Sing him for ever away.

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28. So let then live in me Thy Godlyest might ! Thy Spirit, who to thee Creates me new quite Do thou Rule me wholly ! Encourage me fill! And in thy Love fire fet allways my well: To love thee but for thee, & nought else fulfil. now Deall & Hell! where is now your hing Since your Grand Destroyer gives hunfelf for me ! My Sins are made from white, as pureft wooll, The Prince of Life has me thus purified well . . Soul, Spirit and Body, and Bannifft all Il. Where is yet a Death for Spirt, Body and Soul & Since from the fed Torrowr Of your Dyman hole My Tepes Redeemed me, to his Unity; The Head and the Members are one inwordly . Not half dead , half Living is Jefus and J. I fear sof the Prince as the second Death's sting,
fines me from the first half
Since me from the first half
My God, and my King
In Hope quite Redicemed me, moreover hith he,
My Holy one shall not Corruption once see;
Lonce has past through Death, & through judgment

And feel they Sin in thee To shall thou find to me a free open Door Of Grace, & of Help & of love which is true, Which never will for fake thee; go in & perfue, Most Innocent, Child-like in the the renew. O Jesus! this grieves me, and broubles me yet. That Satan Still fifts me in his finfut Not: Thou from course Releas me 'yet must One fill be, I Guye in Flesh rather, to suffer in me; Let my Heart from Pride be kept constantly free . When I can but have thee, Enough then I have; Thy Grace will refresh the thy Truth will me fave; Arch Sheepherd o'the faithful fould I from the flee! And only be loving, and Living in Me! Thou will yet Refend me from Spirit and Stars, Which feek to pursue we to fear? O fefus

30.

O Jefus, my heart be but open to thee! 3 No strang Love, let ever be dwelling in me! But Thine remain allways my Oriefest to be! The Privited Lover!

O Take me from Me!

That I allways hover

one Spirit with thee! Till thou shall home fetch me; yet most Royalfing Come they felf Lord Jefus ! come the felf attend! O Come thou! O come then Sand he without End! Upon Rest.

As g once the Willerness, in Boverty, had many weary with Labour.

In October 1697.

31. . In this world sun-who dogs therein Can find no Rest nor Cheering; All our own Rest- and works the best Will quite be dispersing : But He that wish in Graff Still With God his live but bind him, He Mall now here- and evermore in Highest Rest well find him . Each Day that Springs- Venations brings, With certain Cares and Jorrow Ust hall the mart-not once our heart Gods Tromise True is dealy new to hearts in him confling In his good Gonce-in evry cale we will may be confiding. Contembedness - and Godliness are Gifts that best should play us he Kept pall be all added free Then rich we are like Angels fair , Yet Garden Soul- and Sparit will with Comforts be supplying . All God let me bean ardently in they sweet love foreber !

32,

Thy help me fend when eer the fiend 32 me from thy Rest will fever ! Let Heart and Month in constant Truth
Thy Might acknowledg rather!
And my Spirit with thy Spirit
May call the Alba Father! From Self Jave me! to Shall I be they endles habitation . When will this Son- with me be one in blak Incorporation : When Shall I Rest from all unblest. and only work thy Pleasure ! And so hence forth with Hearth and Mouth be true to thee. my Treasure! We wait the dear Sabatick year of Peace and judment greeting All Enemies - made then they Prize . When unto thee hall evry knee in all the world be bowing; · Add all in One - United grown. But in thy Love be flowing . Most faithful Lord-think on thy word! Deliver the Ditroled Which trust in thee alltho they be

under the yoke oppresed :

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39. When will thou then the york of Sin remove from thy Greation ! And Call thy Hoft from evry Gast to the Sabath's celebration! Of the Power of the New Virgue Body , Wherein the Lord hingelf dwellets and Revealeth his Mystenes: Done in a Lergive Conging. in Febr: 1699 . Alas how flind must be to Temporal things the Eye Which Shad the Glory see of the Light Eternity ! In truth shad thy Desire in Heaven still remain, To must thou all what is of Temporals refrain. How Dumb must be the Mouth from Carthy things and Shall God divide thy Tongue by's Spirits fiery power ; Shall they Heart fire but come with Heavinly flame to To must it wholy from all other busness turn How leer must be the love from Thinking & from wiking ? I that the Glory of the Lord her hall be filling !
And hall the Lord of last himself to her feveal.
To must she not in spirt with Timely troubles deal. The must in foort & Day of God be Recollected is unto John & Paul, from forces quile de vacted:

Then Views the Lord lumleff in her with open face

als:

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O'Noly Day of God Grant on in us for ever!

Chace out the Dark on Night, with all its Light of Errous;

Hunt out all gloomy Couds, Thou Downed himing Jun:

Erect also in us, for Thee, O'God thy Thrane!

Command the Soul her Sea her Dessions to relinguish!

And let her anctious fire in Light of love exclusion!

Prepare the Temple too, the poly Virgin-list!

Of Windows beauty hul, the samb his Brance livile.

Let Her fink perfectly into his groundless & sence!

Into her movers House, where The may have by presence:

be draw her forth from Place, from Sence & time that she

In Time, & everywore, thy pleasant Consort be

Odmen.

The Lower of Love
which conquers
The World, Sul, & Death

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Composed

1705.

B. According to the several Parts, the Melody may
be sourced, as follows

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36. The feared not her Foe, while on her Right her Hero, Who did her Still Defend gainst Devil, Death, & Sorrow :. His true afflance was her fafest Port in Storms; The did defie her foe, with his most potent Charms. Out of his fullness the began to Dress her Rarely , And to the Marriage Feast, be fitt, tomorrow Early: And as the then began the Holian' to Jing , Then must Jerufalem withher Rejoyce and Ring Her Bridgeroom did her lead into her Temple Sowend. From whence, the fourthing Strong Her felt before was debard Heroland did tell her there, that in his Rugdom file In However & Glory, like unto him should be And the He tale her to, of Profes near attending The look no notice out but of herious was minding The hoped havely th'out breakings of his Wight And for the chiefest Sent of Honour asked quite How glowd her joyful heart, when to the farfour landing? As the upon has breast, his very Heart was feeling As He at Supper for, In wordent Love, a Februar Enhandled, and her fed with his own Fileh & Blood. And then he did at last, as Servant stout upon her, He steemed her feet from Dust, to make her pither Storing According to his Word The July Clean, thought he, And JANA how this hight his Bridet Confort be The Laid her felf to Bed with wight close wed decent, The Cout Me had part of the Rest for thought was pleafant Her Soulestrue faithful front from fless would her defend. But coming not for that, to fleep the did intend.

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He made her wider found 'twat now the time of treat Wherein the Princes might, who would take no derival, Altready was begun; the new should watchful be And joyn in light with him ogning the Enemie. But Mill the commits thought of Kingdom and of greatest Had frusk it felt too deep wet her loft fide weakness: the three was her bulwed thought of Red was deep; he march her cleanfed feet and Buil her Bush Then connective Princip Might wish (Std Allendary of St. An Like as a good up frome, at bace to over flourishing he face her fell environd with fronts & bride Then flow the freak therefrom with townfilled My knows forded from pround, food the the food chowing The Berneville bound by sour, had me again retaken . And in Kup bounded to hall Best Ol When it can I new things might my Down my Where is my Bridgeroom sour Row! has he me profester It's the one go alway, in Monthering Arrels mighation ! When some remains his Britis, wherein he bound his bound, That US, no for, morforiet, wor Booth Should ever port. If this flee afternoone is the this the profess greatures t Jethy's the Dignity I So this the five hest Meatine for If this the Maringe food most bis it Kingdom to Second How !

30. How am I then befored to with my Map yel derenken? The No! Jame indeed in despest Mire Junken! Terroun doth Thake my heart, in me is all Mishap; Dipair, Doubt, & foor, & frightful thender-flyp. Whear art thou now my Jun ! I must in holour pour me : Since Sin this dark night ma where extert to find thee. Has now they love on Ond! for the swo more for the How long Shall I say fond, the parted from the be: Oh Point my Sweetest halp! Soo how the free do there me! How cause thou such hard fate predestinate intom me . The foes whom I despised as thou got by me weard, De now without all four, make me their only foort. Most extile could't them have me from Asse Siverted, And as a Champion Theo special my fore exceeded for the first quite and claim give a very my hely to the My Hand two exception has then then then first day on the second Mel. A Fries friend giving to Sa p. 1. They Morgan the goor load, five their would constant The would the food forgive intif he must repond it What horked had mildone Me my the finnerly; William Google facult or Cook As a wold blacking dan or life the Unoughed are the stress from sections the own of the floorful; had from her treatigueous and sport bordularity proved. There Commenced, the profusithe hundred for

the material west now sufficient with Soul, them

39. Her Vail did hide her Hand, & how white fill her Body, The foes the threatned Death, confirmed by Oath to haddy. But get, fine all these foes to conquer kante believel; The was both of her Wail, and foot, at once bereaved. hen flow the naked quite, Gloughe a place for hideing Her now revealed Thome the fare with great huperion Her highly grieved hart and now a deadly would; And from the feel to Head the judy was undound. The Jargent, whom the Brince had latty contituted. Upit her, and with Blews, and many Touris folused: And also bound her fast with fellers and with Bonds; And in the Prifor there he fastned her hands. Then Are triest Right towake, & first faw her own folly. How Howard Her only fault the in this flate did fally Mist inflorest was he, he that, where first he though Wilh had bewailing fries his faithfulnes fie named the descriptor heavy good not what to be beginning The fleting Sporting theory field days her flight worn in Was watchied Day & Right, but nego good to fall Yet the the harms was done, the find of Court to The fourth lart. Met. page so following. Ryland I bless that he my Fried not delapointed that the feet had me in thousand prote disposited. So were I lasty Dond and in a Rathay salace . When for Koffronch and Shame went now the hide my face. Ch, had I but that ling been with ful! and he by weakings, Highly last, and not the het any

To were I without doubt from him not seperate; Whear as my Conscience now, Answarters desperala. In hack I thought spore what often he has told me! the did I but my mend to what he traight but halt me! Oh, had Them theat time with fecret fore embraid, And hated my own Soul, so were Lowot milplaced. In , had I wretched loub, not been so quite forgetful That I had promised I would till Douth be faithful! to were I never brought to fuch a heavy fall Through fuch a Gaffy [main] more than to off in all. In had I see Bellought at first when he did warn me If Mifery at haved, which highly itid cancern me 1 Most truly I should their hout taken better care. And should now with Colone, on his Right hourd found That I Rightly boot the Taithholest that ever to Trusty friend ! so were I from him parted never! The Love had in then made Andfast like in the Grave. For faken am I now, couse I for faken have. Mel: A True friend came to see, p. 1. fled J. Red S. of with many Teast reported; Met What care That the World p. st. Or O God Die fromer gedpilled.

36. Lost justly flies He me, fince Thank Him projection. id the , and lets me Err antis foes Areals, miflechen , Which J. Befort before, as friends refrected, age. And most part of my time with Free dat past away. The Dammage I have now first found I did might em; will then whally now, and not by hadres for juke em. They think indeed I must be their cherhal flave. And that Sout remain in Death and Assault growe. must it be at last ! I look without kepining ice four in Decay, and all my through declining From John Solly devoust My Beauly 1000 12 ent of buis chali stree. I s Grid and Delour Theople now know what I am burde new lovel alaquete: The Mildert worken Miles with & And makes me weary of wel in this dife to be. I fuder I Gods worth and praye his s ich yet too generous doals with my brake faith & frepast Yeldo Slovekian, and do hije his And thereby; When The dolli Maye correct, it is not heavilly.

would with filent speech, with Hand & Fears down flowing I fiery golden feet, as Magdalen me throwing ; hings my feel has me brought to grief in high degree, To Mall his food to me, ahopeful Anher be: ute friendly wild is the, a flowing thelp in kedness; ost more ful his heart, a Tourlain full of gladness: I freely feven times a day, forgive of would , He faid by fevery, I multiply it should. hould I, a sinner, be so gracious to a Sinner? mil I needs conclude, His Grace is Endles finer. For One poor Araged Storp, he faves the Heard olme And from the Rightoons he to Sinners foon is gone . that when my faelle Gye the Prodigal but feeeth low that the lender heart, to loving to him fleeeth, More than the feel here! For which neer had gon aftery, to with by wear, sie me, Trinsuph break out, for pry ligrafore had I but so wuch strongth as him to follow, had I but means where with to flooth me in my forms. Yea, were I from these Bands, Pripa free I still would surely find him and he may be whear he will. elixly Part. Mel. p.s. Grean the Soid bear to think of ways more fure ory the might make the Whath more corolety, the wondered up to down , at last this thought was On. Her Miscorit hatwe she says keep from the house rom these forth the probots, at of Completing wany er fetters, and their weight, the would with palience comy

The loant so well to draw the heavy, Ouxings yoke As were sheful of joy to do her daily work . he would not, as before the therif be formen habling. he let them in their way, with her be ever holding And what was franger yet, he acted as did they, As were the realise too in their Philistian ways othe foune acting the with wifest reason lattied. That they did never for what in her Break the carried Let from her now and those a fight would anne to the Then faid the it was nought but a poor lough did bile. but then when in the Right the was confined in Brison, ler very Mart and types with Areams of Tears were driven Vet dars the now no more in August venither bies, for fear they may perchance, the larjunts over furprise thee The had by her soit, befoold these, which however hid their first watchfelness with more confidence dier: Therefore the bught now how the front neight be gote, And her behand friends own polyters follow on. And now allows twas heald where the was dooply would ler midle-body was with Rays pow well forcunded: Bull serve her gradust care was to brough though the wall; Her felters, with her Hundrik Widering well the Gle. June Cyli a Congo, and Human a thought would be example be help her from this (by he land there things long by that havily this was a When her old Brough, her there, his fore dialing Jornar Mekniki

his was the Sergants Drince . The never had from this Remer . ed put as few was going with her Lamp and Hainer, Sport his her in Rage, and to his frie exclusion, He had been long in her, as Laving-mad inflamed. was by his Graff before against her good forts orders That The Seduced was , as the from Vertues borders Once out a walking went : The Lord from followed . Altho Difguist, and in a Servente Stature hid . he Soul indeed knew well that the by fraid was laken. et not without her fall, since the had been milaken In her own Bounds is that now all her present thought Which yet remains in her, to fervitude was brought. ed what some work of all, her heart was now division. the left fide the Prince in all his will refeded : The Right fiele did yet foun to hereford to pertain Which the fly Prince did Arive by ( hast afte to gain . Ord who loft up their his he Souls book he did know

Loughly Magnanime; Referred was Civility; quandring was Pleafauthe/s; & Strife, Open heartily: Scolding he called Zeal; the Knave, a Man of Jence; And soforth blended he the world's Innocence. Hemfelf he Clothed oft, as he thought filly handed, As Mefenger of Peace, told what the Lord commanded: And force the Right Side the Soul was now defild He , by his apeing trichs , had her by near , beguild. But as the Lord appart in Servants State with her . And in the truest boy he speekly there wid vew her : The knew him presently, and was most hearty glad, Only for fear and Shame, The karce knew w. Thedid. he then in anguish great did tremble, near to swoning; Hil her fact finful fall with many Tears bemoaning That the for a long time no word from him did hear. Her Heart Still gave her that He hated her by mear. But as the Lord at last the fright unfer had stilled, And her weak Spirit too with Oil of foy ladfilled: Also her Darkness had enlight had roile his Light, The would he should just now; proform of marage right. lot yet, hopfied the lord you lye yet hard enthraled In this Brinces kingdom, yet weer Shall be recalled, What I know find I'll in if you'll but follow me , Then from the joyful Bay of Marriage you shall so. le But intended front, the Prince to fry toggt lying. oith all his apith works, the now refolled to hate on: Uply the was herfelf, now hated as accust And perfeculed quite; as was declared at first. 70 Soon

to Soon's the Prince perceived the Lord had been there with le in his Kingdom wid Deceil and fraud bogether: He would now Holy be 1100 worthis him he would, But Sill his intent was to kill him if he could . le fought with many Pranks, the Sord to have federal. out full the Widom won't by him be so abufed The ford did yet avoid his falcehoods flattering, Therefore used he at last quite the Old forwards String. Le then feut out his Troops to feet the words abiding : must the Soul for aye be flave with him refeding: The trick lucked him so well the food agreed he fast; The Soul which had grant was now again in hest. That melancholy manies The therein has been making Vas here Observed bobs mode hear her undertok The Prince said thew himself as He frest how het so; When the would, as fore kild, with Long & Hamer on. le would not at before, with Office congrings flatter. bed for her love cares, twas been another matter Wherein he had to do: He made himles so free. These the his windered hours how fallingly could be. This Bart may be only Read. What I art who had been trial and you pres the de O good you are I for your realed been guite. he fly Fox never fought Goes, to personich paid catch 'on' "The fuch an evil fraud, siar coar to be worth on.

4% The hunger bitten Wolf, a Sheep devour may as I have longed for you, fince you were lead afterny. no many Days and Nights, as Rowring Lyon manner. ve Jupon her track Her fought, to wait upon 'er! The Raven, and Vulture me'er covels lanon more Than I have buft for you, the you forgot me fore. our Penitence Sprais, that you have with my Seriant toow again returned : I council hide how lingent We're all in love with you, give quite your heart they To Shall you by us be a very common Where. hat have you now of it ! that you have us for siken , d have your hourseiness with them Mad Brain'd begress the As in these Kogo? yettel I you by faith of mine. I love you more there in than a thoward falled Swine. herefore have now good wood, the Company is kathered nd the feducer who you quite too much have flattered Thave now in my powd, and by the fetting Jun I have him on the Crops, like as a thirt be hung Mil. A Free friend comoto les, p. 83.

48. e Soul was now for Greet for Rage & Fed near fainting . They of Prince with Jost & Blofphemy was taunting: Her burning Heart enragd, as in the Battle hof : . The strove not now with twords, but Doing was her thought. en Straitway She did take of Hammer with hands double. Confidence God faw her Mifery and trouble: The Smote of hardy Rock till Hame came with if Arake. Then lighted the her Somp until of Day light brake. he Fretters on her feet, the fincle them quite afunder. his indeed well strove, & Rightly to a wonder:) And then, yet after this, with Lamp in hand the came And fet het Jayl on fire, and foed her through of flow. follow now the tract which muclored went before me. id the , which will me from water my Laviour bear ma : My Prifont now on fire, and the it be not down, Nor all my fees quite Choaks, yet follow I of Grown Trick ma my King will give Athat of his more grows. Ind let me on & Thomas in his Majeflick places: Only his Honverily love shall be my popul chain; Then shall I share with feet, with this him rogger heer, with Wills him rejected. hen Shall my Dear, on me, his Kites be bestalving her that I must be sean in his level fore beforeing: Thus, the then had be contracted and Car. My Heart & His hall then one decrepance below. page he from would have what I had there duction him, have juffered have, in our hoof India for him: pured compret with the receiping translations! ick full of Marcy is which he will her impart.

49. and when he Shall behald hors forely Sam commoded, low many Publish Soid are thereby to me founded : In truth his tender Keart with compation flow. And C. how look with the a flore on me befow? know he goisest him two I know his full of Louise. house he Rettelle put by Night wold the Morrow: Throw he fighs for me . I know he for me langs , Since his heart well does for each trouble were bourse. una hi kithane ha is arrive me . herefore when I his how with the me there with fullet by receive me! Half in a Randwid Love Stock from into me from ; And then with out all doctof, grout see of former lan. had the Marriage fear will him expy for ever; or Recreation I thank how this mosely know one nither. chel a Frue friend come to sa. p.s. The this summer end by her love reclines wa Morning present to hear with proful at o guilte and clean forcal the el Judgentdidh Since the could not believe what her of frince hatte a her soon the few a smithtente at distance armed them, 4. in & midt, without of stance

Three men were yet more high, who on three trees were bound The thought the Princes words, & then for grief would found. Met. p. 17. In Fefus Living friend, fc. las! faid the, ist then this Profligate permited? he my Friend o'or powerd & has him thus committed? No answerd she, O no J know my Hero well Kim can no man subdue, no, not the pow is of Hell. e has of Death it felf, the Sting once quite destroyed, nd Varished from the foes, atthey him once anoyed: The Croud which took him he did cast untache ground With but one word, when Just true to him was found! et will I thither hast, & fee what this has moved , May amongst the Good perhaps find my Beloved: And of g find him in Siftrest among his foes. f will afist him, or with him my Life will loos . will not, as before, in all his fromble leave him; There will got refit the Six ante the Bland. Much rather Jwill Die with a right Champion Mond. forwards nigebly west in Hopes A I spelling could not treat in fuch Ofto the mought corolal fee , but The thrust in byshigh the ? he four at first, the Moun in the middle At firer discovered The hard befourged thinwith frauns did carle proprie And now pale Death was there for ford in his ey! Gr mouth was pale ktown His black for With platted Crown of Bothi

is Hands and Feet bor'd through of firings ther from was flowing, yed round about the Gross the purple gore was strowing Pilch-darkned was the night, if how his light with dress, Shaned to fe of works of Juck a murthering Crew. he Kigh-furpriked Soul was now with fright aftenifhed, ler Sences, Speech, & Sight, were all from her quite banghed The thought the knew the man, & yet the did mitrust, Because he was so changed; then out in Gy he burst, ly God 'my God 'wherefore hast thou me so fortaken ! The the voice did hear, he found her not my haken : As he to God so cryst was all her Doubt away, O yes it is my friend, laid the, it is my joy I fe this scarse had Said, the strait was seized with fainting, er now quite weakened strangth was altogether wanting: Then frait the last her light, her Speech, her Jence and all, Her weakned body their down by the Gos did fall . er face did chance to half and in his blood was living, With now congrated was as would it be supplying with a cold Ris there to but the cold ky so rife. Awakned in her a new Jupply of Life come the to her left, and when her Eyer were open. he face Him, on whom was no life more to be hopes: The He was her own life suphore he loud so well That the defield in Death, by him all to dwell. Cleventh Part chel. In Japas loving fried, acp. 14. o faid, with weakned voice to have I laftly found him in whom my Soul doth love, hit thou they did wound him?

But here upon the Gols ! and striving now with Death ? For faken too of God in this his latest breath . Cell then my Bridegroom Dear, to whom my felf for given, carried without the erior a longer living! Thy Death does work in me, for thy member name! "And Thou my Head, & Life, therefore with the I'A Die. you am I well content! now am I well provided. also in death, from thee am undevided: he Death did me of right, when glive by the near. The same is now my joy, since then art diging here. and Should Inot with thee sex Life, now Death endure : ince thou hast deld for me; and me life to procure Courst in the Princes Realer, without the Fathers might And Since Thou hast for we thought they own Kingdom light. Strange unheard of Love! O Frithful to a Wonder ! The followed me when Juas no Reportance under: my decemende fall not yet observed in me The Jin Debth O hill he Lover than Secons, pol of Grace ! which sa so soon excited . hen I to all did fall after I then affected! yearwhen thou even would get fufer death for me, I did that then for fake, and head hot true by thee. but now I kneed to they with figurer Replication, who poer paid my Deals with waterst effusion Swith they death to me i their Resmalaucent wa

My Resting place shall be tand now I think it good, 53. That Therefall aflap, by thy feet, I thy Rod. Mel. A true fried came to fa . p. s. Her the Soul with him to Die was now concluding, bud highly was content. The then found death intriding And karely ended had her high Love fong, at most Her Dear Gy'd once more foud & then gave up & Gost. he faw the last End of her fords own but with aking and was her left there with prost Sowardly wertaking: Lord my fairle feto commend into they hand haid he and lack thereon with him a Shefed

Last Part

To the Enlightned louls yet in y first love.

It Souls who from the Love of this world are awaken,

who most truly have of the fords of the pertaken.

Ye, who have in your felves, the Lord in his clear light beheld as in a Glass, tooth an uncovered fight;

es you how this poor Souther Countenance detaced Her the Bridgroom had her inwardly embraced? See you how The has Errid fee how fier gone afray After the had replied to weld the Lord alone.

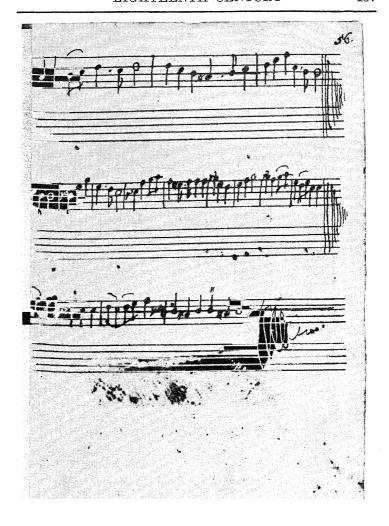
edge not before the time , nor too foon the offender ! deal in mercy with and feature her but leading let fut judge in you the Love that brue & real Ur ele your clear light will be butnet to Barkingly

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Anowledge too that God, this Soul did heep & graide her, Id that he did this kirst of wonderfully lead her Know, all these who love God, their Sing which they detest. A evry other thing, must all work for their best. ut if you know this , and have no experiency of it, think that you get live in Children's years beneath it Indeed the first Days glance has you colightened, But Mill the finishing remaineth from you had . his Soul did also know, in childish years, more over hat the Templations hard, and Tryals to way! higer But Hill he knew not How? what I Why! nor yet where fore, The thought the Rid Should be in all a conquerer : ois the too at last; now knows the from begining . hat some but her dear Lord, were tempted without faring: The gives the Honour Him, & thanks him for the frame. The fees that the derves Rejection, Slite, and Shame: But if you till will have her faults exalted, even because that nine times more to Her, than your forgiven . To grant her this soles, purpose chief place to have . And first Rabuni faid to Jefus by the Grave. blet the Cock then frow, fince the Bock must be crying, The Morning Sur will be thrice Bronger on himflying: To will the Love in him vet therice as high proceed, And Stine as La for bid His There to keep and feed; Hunk, the Beloved once a theephend quite destrayed, And the Robert Streep by fracent to his own house conveyed: But yet this though did Boils the wife King Soloman Who peaceably did Reggs apen his father's Thron

130 ink how the flooping Saints had once their faith forfaken. ud dare not their themselves, for fear of being taken Yel Gods forit did fill them all the they were hid, And all the was by them sentialtened . hink , how that Later once for chigle's Corps contended , ecause He, by the Rock in faith had ones ofended: Yet God did him . Himfely Some on Webo's land , Will let the Diffiches See him Bright on Tabor floud . ink how that Salar Apod on Johna's right Side Claiming efore the Chygel, & with fully Clothe him Shaming : The he was as a Bound ecopien from the fire And Jerufalem built with the Exected Thour . nd what did Jutan there for all his Contention he ford did (hide and shape here Type John a cont took to his took And from with Mitre, & with Frietly Garments clother ill you then fenture Ail will you use Contradiction inst those who love the obvint tilde Tirce the has Erred , follo , Wounded , forther . Her inward Beauty too with his body fear your felves much more, while you get found gold and in the holy fear, that you may Jafely enter, Like as a black right does the brightest Day devous? To may your Light also in Borkness hide its Towar. and fince we have the weight of working Lays bearing can I'll only behick exchanges comparing ; But when We in Death Hand on the end of & fath, then will first of all in Us the forthis Day begin .









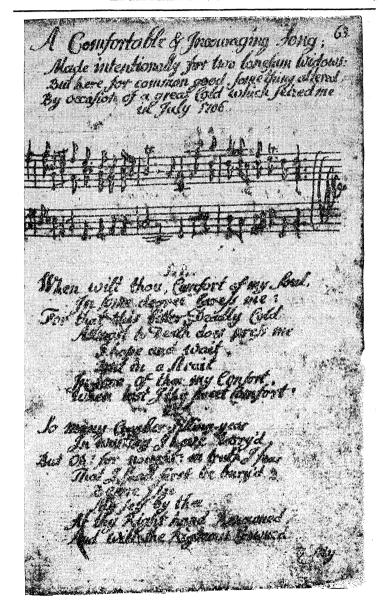
I think on the Blooming of that lovely chay, Where I my Beloved hall ever enjoy; And this britle Shit for a New do away. The more I'm Submissive,
The more care I take

From being seducive
By the crafty Inake;
To yonder Arytaline Clear world to go,
There where the Davidish Conquering Stero Will lead me into his Triumphing-Tent too O Torment of Loving !
O'Mague the most fived!
Drolong with removing But Shorten the time ! Let the hour draw near ! Think on the past Gracions true Promises Dear; And make it before the whole world apear. Those most bidden Manna When fillest those one. ager in this place ! se how for great Traubles Tears flow down har face but Thee ker own Eli, intracting for Pace! O Spread out thy Garguent Twake thou! and Thake there the world in me! ly God! Ire the Manhood is jouned to the Rest not emple flow hast made it quite for

60 The also would O were I But O could I once till me this willing in me Thou who createdly thy Truth, I beg that it finished may be, that both be for ever united in thee 1 Rabuni! most Royal, touch Body and Soul let me, the unloyal Through which from thy Adam the Life ded divide, but let me asume it again in thy Tide That I bring thee Nuptial fruit while g Rabun' my desire who havet thou me s Wilt thou aford higher (The Lord with drew . The hear Jon beging the the most penfare no; How long ! o how long shall I with out the go . This so judden parting brings wretchedst wee. I Uwught to Recover ince his absence doth me now Inwardly grieve, Who did unexperted this Vifet me give. Mgain & Submiffive lye here in my Shrine What has me omiffive As form as my will be due its confered gave ; here would I recover my Life by the Grave

61. But as my will dying alittle wrote From Juward Still lying came from its repose, There funk I down deeper, my Life he went up . Now See I lamenting this Crucifying Cup; And dying, Repenting the evilest Swap. O Rightly thus planged! Where will thou now Reft ! O faulty Degraded . where feelt thou thy bet ? Thou lyest afficted in Grief and Difmay Gol 88.9. Acceye not the just one who lest the this day. In no wife! but blaming my felf, now in vain; Yet the For complaining; To Hope, and Intred him to remember me : And could my will only but febled be , My Lord, and my Life I then quickly mould see. Yet since I know whither, and where is his Mace; to will I had thether There will I with Knocking, and Praying begin, A Tother will let his own Brikeren come in He'll grant to me , Penilent , Grace from within . But as Jam. Mortal and Jubiect to Death And cast reach the Portal of the Angelick hith;

Those in whole at I can but have then thy with may be to



My Stature groweth Pale and Cold, Who me has loo'd, But now has griev'd that he does decline me; Therefore I need must pine me . to that your ly However! This I fay yet to

That God his goodnes still is new ; And heareth all our Frayer : In his judgments His heart retents ; In mercy heel Relieve us . Jois Fathers Orms receiv us . It is the Futhers Willow to To Exercise his Phildren; For them in Make ways Agh to go. The they're quite clean In heart and neven And then had come with flen. And ever more be by him Then Shall they be quite one with Kim , And with his km one making ; And of his polandid Godhead Sarth here, be pertaking And Wer Bridgroom hier God his Lound meirer more will beave been Therefore but be in these Cols ways with Courage forwards flowing With Redfact Such be furng: When we upon We find the Bride grown. Then Rife ye up to Count le! Rife! o you elected Off! on Goil his Death Reviel you!

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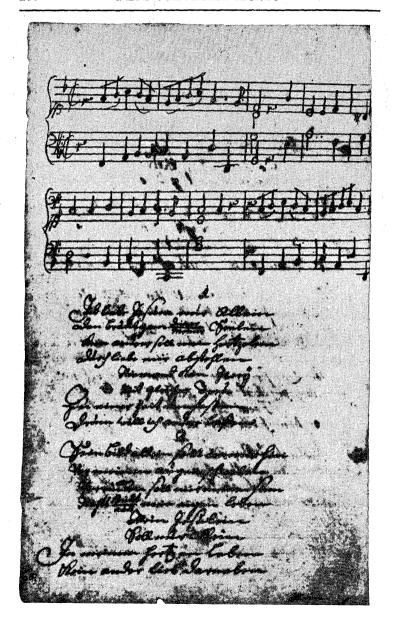
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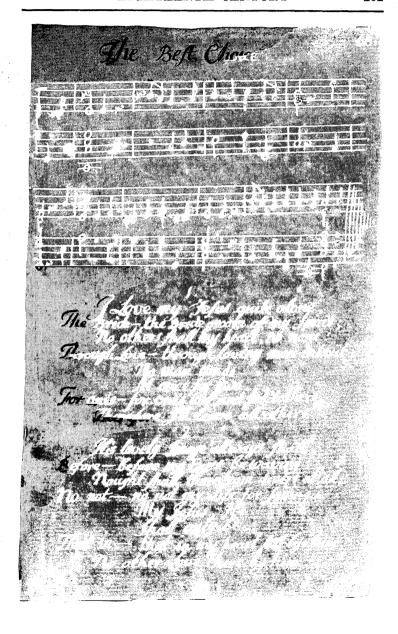
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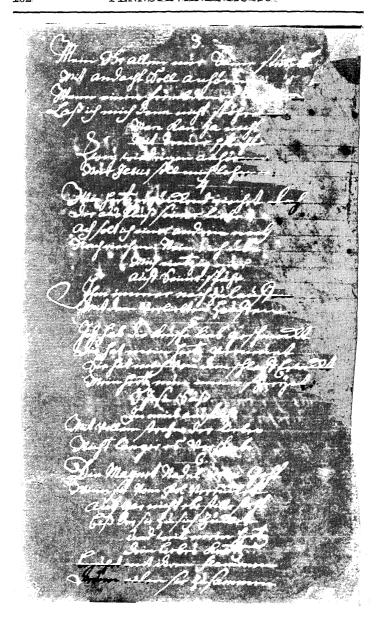
Arife! go out

From Toyful pout! 66. Then Endles loy does after ! Therefore a little Jufer .

with Situres & Ginsolide me. And with the Then Land thou me above, into







And the thou art, like the North Star, In Stea — in Heaven altified;
And I on Earth so distant far,
I'll fol — I'll follows, undenyed,
It it there my Light,
And my Eye light
I hall Rill — shall field be turned to the From every place, and woo the At Distance yet I have the voice when my - when my Heart am but reach the And I again observe the choice.
Which thy - which the dear Mouth does back. In Heavens Thron From me-from me at fuch a distance . The Meedle can no more be But lost but loglethe quete her mestion our loof our layeth quere her matter of the with fat be only fuered.

Of fales — of Poles it has no Ration.

Is that my fight

No other Light

Nov Love — nor Love again betide me.

But only Thine That quick me.

### JUSTUS FALCKNER, HYMNOLOGIST, MUSICIAN AND FIRST CLERGYMAN ORDAINED IN PENNSYLVANIA

Justus Falckner was the younger brother of Daniel Falckner,\* a leader in the Theosophical Brotherhood in Europe as well as on the Wissahickon, and accompanied him on his return to Pennsylvania, after a successful mission to Europe, in August, 1700. His father, Rev. Daniel Falckner, was the Lutheran pastor at Langen-Reinsdorf near Crimmitschau, district of Zwickau in Saxony, where Justus was born November 22, 1672, and where his grandfather, Rev. Christian Falckner, also Lutheran pastor, had died November 5, 1658. Maternally as well as paternally his forebears had been clergymen.

The Falckner brothers were educated as theologians in the expectation that they would follow their sires as ministers of the Lutheran faith, and Justus was first a student at Leipsic, under the distinguished philosopher, Thomasius, † and later at Halle where he matriculated in 1693. It was at Halle that he cultivated the art of hymnody as an outlet for his spiritual aspirations, following the Lutheran standards based indiscriminately on Scripture, the Latin and Hussite hymns and popular folk songs. That at Halle he was in intimate association with the eminent German Pietist, August Herman Francke, † who was

<sup>\*</sup>For account of Daniel Falckner, vide Sachse's German Pietists in Pennsylvania, 1694-1708; Daniel Falckner's Curieuse Nachricht von Pennsylvania, Anno Dom 1702, and Schmauk's Lutheran Church in Pennsylvania, 1638-1800.

†Sachse's Memorial of Justus Falckner, p. 15, for portrait and brief sketch.

<sup>‡</sup> Ibid , p 16.



CeAcademicus Hallensis.
A STUDENT AT THE HALLE UNIVERSITY, 1698-1700.



From Sachse's Justus Falckner Memorial

his preceptor in oriental languages, is shown by Francke's incorporation of several of Falckner's hymns in his revised hymn-book, the *Geistreiches Gesang Buch*, Halle, 1697.

The most noted of the Falckner hymns, Auf! ihr Christen, Christi glieder, a stirring composition, of eleven stanzas of six lines each, well calculated to arouse the religious fervor of the worshipper, is found on page 420 of the original edition, set to the melody of Meine Hoffnung stehet feste. Dr. Sachse, in his Justus Falckner, Mystic and Scholar, Devout Pietist in Germany, Hermit on the Wissahickon, Missionary on the Hudson. A Bi-Centennial Memorial of the First Regular Ordination of an Orthodox Pastor in America, done November 24, 1703, at Gloria Dei, the Swedish Lutheran Church at Wicaco, Philadelphia, says of it:

"Originally the hymn was designated, 'An encouragement to conflict in the Christian warfare,' and was retained by Freylinghausen in the make-up of his Gesang Buch of 1704, but in subsequent editions it was relegated to the Anhang or appendix. Thus in the edition of 1731 it became hymn No. 634, p. 769.

"From the very outset the hymn came into extended use in both Europe and America. It became a favorite hymn with the so-called separatists, or dissenters from the orthodox church, and was incorporated into their hymnbooks; a prominent instance being the *Davidische Psalter Spiel der Kinder Zions*, Berlenburg, 1718. This was the first distinct hymnal published for the use of the Separatists.

"In America it was incorporated in the celebrated Zionitischer Weyrauchs Hügel,\* of the Ephrata Community (Saur, 1739, hymn 395, page 444); also in the Kleine Davidische Psalterspiel der kinder Zions (Saur, hymn 38,

<sup>\*</sup>The first book printed by Saur. For account of it see the *Deutsche Pioneer*, vol. viii, pp. 47, 475.

page 41), and a number of other early American hymn-books. It is also to be found in the Manuscript Hymnal of the Zionitic Brotherhood, which is known as the Paradiesische Nachts Tropffen, 1734 (Hymn II, p. 6).\* This hymn, after a lapse of two centuries, is still used by nearly all the Protestant denominations in Germany, and is retained in their hymnology in America as well, the latest instance being its retention by the Lutheran Church of the United States in their new German Kirchen Buch, wherein it is hymn 331. Especial attention is called to it in Stip's Unverfälschter Liedersegen (Berlin, 1851).

"Julian, in his Dictionary of Hymnology, mentions the following translations into the English language: 'Rise, ye children of Salvation' (omitting stanza four) in Mrs. Bevans' Songs of Eternal Life, 1858, page 10. Three cantos have come into use, the translations of stanzas one, three and nine, in Dr. Pagenstecher's collection, 1864; of stanzas one, five, nine and eleven in the English Presbyterian psalms and hymns, 1867; and the Temple Hymn-Book, 1867; and stanzas one, five and eleven in Laudes Domini, New York, 1884.

"Another of his hymns is *If our all on Him we Venture*, a translation of stanza three, as stanza two of hymn No. 1064, in the supplement of 1808 to the Moravian Hymn-Book of 1801. Still another celebrated hymn attributed to Justus Falckner is:

O Herr der Herrlichkeit O Glantz der Seligkeit, Du Licht vom Lichte, Der Müden süsser Saft, Des grossen Vater's Kraft, Sein Angesichte.

<sup>\*</sup> Collections of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

This hymn was also printed in the Weyrauchs Hügel (No. 475, p. 540) and Saur's Psalterspiel (No. 361)."

The length of Falckner's academic and theological term at Halle is uncertain, but he had reached the diaconate before he was induced to remove to Pennsylvania, which removal, as before stated, was accomplished in August, 1700, in company with his brother, Daniel Falckner, Johann Jauert, Arnold Storch, John Henry Sprögell,\* Ludovic Christian Sprögell and others, all of whom reinforced the Community on the Wissahickon.

In Germantown his scholarship and civic interest brought him into notice, with the result that he was elected a burgess † not long after his arrival. At a Court held in the German borough 7 November, 1700, he appears to have sat as a justice. Shortly after this he is found continuing his theosophical studies in solitude on the banks of the Wissahickon under the guidance of Magisters Kelpius and Seelig,‡ the latter the one-time secretary of the great Spener.

During this period of retirement Falckner fulfilled a promise, made before leaving Europe, to acquaint Dr. Heinrich Muhlen, an influential church dignitary in Schleswig, with the condition of the churches in Pennsylvania as he saw them. There may have been several letters, but the first found its way into print in Germany

<sup>\*</sup> Ante pp. 18-21.

<sup>\*</sup> Vide his autograph in Sachse's Pietists, p. 315. Sachse, however, uses but one l, while Pennypacker uses ll.

<sup>†</sup> Pennypacker's Settlement of Germantown, p. 288.

<sup>‡</sup> Johann Gottfried Seelig (1668-1735), the successor of Kelpius as the spiritual head of the Brotherhood and the owner of a not inconsiderable classical library, Greek, Latin and Dutch. [Vide Sachse's Pietists, pp. 335-340.]

# Sines Schreibens

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#### Aus Germanton / in der Ameris

canischen Province Pensylvania, sonst Nova Suecia, den ersten Augusti, im Juhr unsers Henls eintausend siebenhundert und eins.

Den Zustand der Kirchen in America betreffend.

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TITLE-PAGE OF FALCKNER'S MISSIVE TO GERMANY, 1701. From only known copy in the Rostock University Library.

From Sachse's Justus Falckner Memorial

and a single copy \* of this contribution to the history of Pennsylvania music was preserved among the archives of the University of Rostock, bound in with a number of other contemporaneous tracts.

The epistle, written from Germantown in the first year of the eighteenth century, is historically rich in local religious color as well as in its far-reaching appeal for music in Pennsylvania. It carries the vision of all that has followed whether of Nineteenth Century Bach Choir, or Twentieth Century Philadelphia Orchestra. It said, send an organ to the Swedish Church in Philadelphia. It meant, give us music that the people may praise the Lord.

The printed copy of the letter to Dr. Muhlen, before referred to, has been translated and is given in full in Dr. Sachse's Justus Falckner Memorial. It is addressed: "Shalom. Right Reverend, Most Learned, Especially Honored, Lord General Superintendent." After a lengthy introduction it says in part:

"The Swedes have two church congregations: one at Philadelphia, the capital of this country, and another several miles therefrom on a river called Christina. They have also two devout, learned and conscientious preachers, among whom I know in specie the Reverend Magister Rudman. He, with his colleagues, endeavours to instil the true fear and knowledge of God into his hearers, who previously, from a lack of good instruction and church discipline, had become rather unruly. The outward worship of God is held in the Swedish language, and partly according to the Swedish liturgy, as far as church ceremonies are concerned. . . .

<sup>\*</sup> A photographic fac-simile of this pamphlet is in the Collections of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

"I will here take occasion to mention that many others beside myself, who know the ways of this land, maintain that music would contribute much towards a good Christian service. It would not only attract and civilize the wild Indian, but it would do much good in spreading the Gospel truths among the sects and others by attracting them. Instrumental music is especially serviceable here. Thus a well-sounding organ would perhaps prove of great profit, to say nothing of the fact that the Indians would come running from far and near to listen to such unknown melody, and upon that account might become willing to accept our language and teaching, and remain with people who had such agreeable things; for they are said to come ever so far to listen to one who plays even upon a reed-pipe (rohr-pfeiffe): such an extraordinary love have they for any melodious and ringing sound. as the . . . Quaker spirit has abolished (religiert) all such music, it would indeed be a novelty here, and tend to attract many of the young people away from the Quakers and sects to attend services where such music was found, even against the wishes of their parents. This would afford a good opportunity to show them the truth and their error.

"If such an organ-instrument (Orgel-werck) were placed in the Swedish church (for the Germans as yet have no church, and the Swedish church is of a high build and resonant structure) it would prove of great service to this church. As the majority of the Swedes are young people, and mostly live scattered in the forest, far from the churches, and as we by nature are all inclined to good, and above all to what may serve our souls, such as the Word of God which is dead and gone, so are especially the youth; and it is so with the Swedish youth now under consideration. When they have performed heavy labor for the

whole week, as is customary here, they would sooner rest on a Sunday, and seek some pleasure, rather than perhaps go several miles to listen to a sermon. But if there were such music there, they would consider church-going as a recreation for their senses.

"Thus does Luther of blessed memory in one place highly recommend the use of the organ and sacred music for this very reason, that it is serviceable, and induces young and simple and, says he foolish folk, to listen unto and receive God's Word. It would also prove an agreeable thing for God, angels and men; if in this solitude and wilderness, which as it were struggles under so many Secula, the Lord of Hosts, with whom there is fulness of joy and at whose right hand there are pleasures for evermore, would be praised and honored with cymbal and organ, as he hath commanded. And it may be assumed that even a small organ-instrument and music in this place would be acceptable to God, and prove far more useful than many hundreds in Europe, where there is already a superfluity of such things; and the more common they are, the more they are misused.

"If now Your Magnificence were kindly to intercede with his Serene Highness and Her Highness his Consort, and also with such other exalted personages with whom you are held in high esteem, and present to them the benefit to be hoped for; I doubt not, but that something could be effected. There are in Europe masters enough who build such instruments, and a fine one can be secured for 300 or 400 thalers. Then if an experienced organist and musician could be found, and a curious one who would undertake so far a journey, he would be very welcome here. In case this could not be, if we only had an organ, some one or other might be found here who had knowledge thereof.

"In conclusion I now commend Your Magnificence to the protection and grace of God to all prosperity, and remain

#### to Your Magnificence

- Germanton in the American Province of Pennsylvania, otherwise New Sweden, the 1st. of August in the year of our Salvation one thousand seven hundred and one.

For Prayer and service most devoted,

Justus Falckner."

When and by what means this plan for instrumental music was met is not known. Scarcely more than two years later, however, a memorable event took place in the Swedish Church in Philadelphia, and the accounts thereof mention both an organ and an organist. This was no less than the ordination on November 24, 1703, by priests of the Swedish church and according to Swedish ritual, of the writer of the foregoing letter, Justus Falckner, to the ministry of the Lutheran Church to labor among the scattered followers of that faith in the adjoining provinces of New Jersey and New York.\*

The structure which gave the setting for the occasion was as yet unfinished. The ceremony was impressive in its stately simplicity. The Theosophical Brotherhood from the Ridge, under the leadership of Magister Kelpius, some in the academic habit of German Universities, others in plain homespun, occupied the front benches, while the rear of the church was filled with Swedes, some English churchmen and dissenters. It is said that a few Quakers

<sup>\*</sup>Sachse's Justus Falckner Memorial, p. 63.

and Indians were also present. To further quote Dr. Sachse:\*

"The service was opened with a voluntary on the little organ in the gallery by Jonas the organist, supplemented with instrumental music by the Mystics on the viol, hautboy, trumpets (*Posaunen*) and kettle-drums (*Pauken*). After this they intoned the Anthem: Veni Creator Spiritus.

"While this was being sung, a little procession of six persons entered the church by the west portal. First came two church-wardens, then the candidate for ordination, with Rev. Andreas Sandel as sponsor by his side: lastly, Revs. Erick Biörck † and Andreas Rudman, the latter as suffragan or vice-bishop.

"As the little procession reached the chancel rail, the two wardens (*Eldeste*) stood on either side of the railing, while the suffragan and the two pastors entered within the chancel and ranged themselves in front and at either side of the altar, upon which were placed a crucifix and lighted tapers. The suffragan was robed in a girdled surplice, with chasuble and stole, while the two assistants wore the black clerical robe (*Schwarze Taler*). The candidate, wearing the collegiate gown of the German University, knelt before the rail, upon which a chasuble (*chor hemd*) had been previously placed."

The anthem ended, the dignified ceremonial proceeded step by step until the oath of office was administered by Rev. Andreas Sandel, acting as consistorial secretary, when the candidate again kneeled "while the Brotherhood intoned to the soft strains of instruments, the hymn:

> 'Veni Sancto Spirit, Reple tuorum corda fidelium.'

<sup>\*</sup> Justus Falckner Memorial, p. 64 et seq. †Indiscriminately written Björk, Biörck, Biörk.

"During the singing of this hymn, the suffragan, assisted by the two clergymen, invested the candidate with the chasuble and stole. When this ceremony was completed and the hymn sung, the suffragan repeated the Lord's Prayer, while he imparted the Apostolic succession by the laying on of hands. After this came the invocation and the benediction. The Theosophists then intoned the 115th Psalm: Non Nobis Domini, during which the little procession reformed and as the last verse was sung slowly left the church, and the solemn and impressive ceremonial which marked the first regular ordination of a Protestant clergyman in America was at an end." \*

A certificate\*, such as was used by the Swedish Lutheran Church of that day, was signed and sealed by the three officiating clergy† and duly delivered to the newly ordained presbyter, "on the day of his inauguration in the year 1703 at Wicaco in Pennsylvania."

Dominie Falckner immediately left Philadelphia for his untried missionary field and from that time until his decease in 1723, he labored indefatigably among the Low Dutch and High German Lutheran Congregations, the center of his activity being in New York and Albany, with preaching stations at widely divergent points along the Hudson, in East Jersey and at Staten Island.

\*The original ordination certificate, supposedly lost for more than two centuries, was recently discovered in St. James' Lutheran Church, New York City.

†Andrew Rudman, formerly pastor at Wicaco, afterwards of the Lutheran Church in New York, and now about returning to his native land;

Erick Biörck, Pastor of the church at Christiana; Andrew Sandel, Pastor of the Lutheran Church at Wicacoa in Pennsylvania.— Vide Sachse's Justus Falckner, pp. 62-70. SEAL

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Exacting as were his ministerial functions he early found opportunity to prepare a work on the chief articles of the Christian Faith, which may be said to be unique in being the first orthodox Lutheran text-book published in the Colonies. The fac-simile of its title-page which appears elsewhere is from Dr. Sachse's Justus Falckner Memorial\* and from the same source is the translation of its title:

"Fundamental Instruction | upon | certain chief | prominent articles of the | Veritable, undefiled, Beatifical | Christian Doctrine, | founded upon the basis of the Apostles | and Prophets of which | Jesus Christus | is the cornerstone, | expounded in plain, but edifying | Questions and Answers. | By Justus Falckner, Saxo | Germanus, Minister of the Christian | Protestant so-called Lutheran | Congregation at N. York and Albany. | Printed in New York by W. Bradfordt, | 1708.

"The body of the book consists of a series of questions and answers. The last two pages are taken up with hymns. The first, of three stanzas of ten lines each, is a Dutch translation of Luther's hymn, Wir glauben all an einem Gott. This is followed by a hymn to be sung before the sermon, which has four stanzas of four lines each. The last one is a hymn of two stanzas of twelve lines each. These are evidently of his own composition and, without doubt are the first original hymns published in the [Middle Colonies].

How far Justus Falckner aided his brother, Dominie Daniel Falckner, in the organization of the church at Falckner Swamp, on the Manatawney tract in Pennsylvania, the earliest *German* Lutheran congregation instituted in the Colonies, is uncertain. He seems not to have

<sup>\*</sup> Pages 86-88.

### GRONDLYCKE ONDERRICHT

Sekere Voorname Hoofd-stucken, der Waren, Loutern, Saligmakenden,

#### Christelycken Leere,

Gegronder op den Grondt van de Apofielen en Propheten, daer

## Jesus Christus

de HOECK-STEEN.

1 S.

Angewesen in eenvoudige, dog stigtlycke Vragen en Antwoorden,

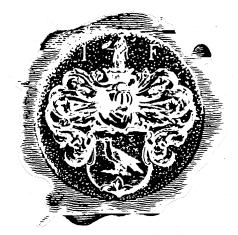
Door

JUSTUS FALCKNER, Saxe-Germanus, Minister der Christelycken Protestantsen Gennemten Lutherschem Gemeente te N. Tork en Albanien,

Pfal. 119 v. 104. (God) n Woors macks my Klocek; daerom hate schalle valsche Wegen.

Gedruckt & Nieuw-York by W. Bradfordt;

preached there after his ordination, in 1703; nor did Daniel Falckner long continue his work at that place, but is found, from 1714, ministering to the Germans scattered over a wide territory in East Jersey. After the death of Justus Falckner in 1723, Daniel Falckner for a time served all the congregations between Albany and Staten Island. In 1741, he was living in retirement near New Germantown, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, where he probably died shortly afterward, but the place of his burial is not known or that of his brother. Their deeds are sparsely recorded in church registers, but their names are preserved in their writings and in the tract known as Falckner Swamp.



Dit is het Zegel Copij van De Falckner

SEAL OF DOMINIE JUSTUS FALCKNER (ENLARGED).

In reviewing the contribution made by the Mystics of the Wissahickon to Pennsylvania music, it must be recognized that these scholarly men brought with them, from across the great waters, the spirit of music, which dwelt among them in their solitudes along the Ridge. By this spirit's grace and power they were able to give the note of joyousness to the consecration of the Swedish Lutheran Church at Wicaco, on the First Sunday after Trinity, July 2, 1700, at which they not only acted as choristers but furnished the instrumental music as well,\* repeating this in part, if indeed not wholly, at the ordination of one of their own number, Justus Falckner, on that memorable November day, in 1703.

Of the organ, which had its impressive part on the last occasion, only the fact of its being within the walls of Gloria Dei at that time can be authoritatively stated. This is a very early reference to the definite use of an organ in any Protestant Church in the American Colonies, but how such organ was obtained and how owned must still be left to conjecture. Had it been sent direct from Sweden, in

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;The event was made the occasion for a festival that extended over three days. It was opened on Saturday, July 1, with a jollification or kirchweih, held after the manner of the Fatherland. On Sunday the consecration services took place. Pastor Biörck preached the sermon from the text 2 Sam., viii, 29, and christened the church "Gloria Dei" (Gud's Ahra's Huns or Gottes Ehre). Upon this festive occasion a great crowd was present, not only of Swedes and Germans, but English as well. The latter were so numerous that Pastor Biörck was forced to repeat his Swedish sermon in English at the close of the services.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Prominent among the great assemblage were the Theosophical brethren from the Wissahickon, who not only furnished instrumental music . . . but acted as choristers as well, chanting the dedicatory Psalms and responses; while the three resident pastors, Rudman as Vice-Bishop or Provost, Biörck as Celebrant, and Aurén as assistant, all robed in surplice and chausable, conducted the consecration services."—Sachse's Pietists of Provincial Pennsylvania, pp. 44-5.

response to the Falckner letter, and through the efforts of Dr. Muhlen, some notice of it would, unquestionably, have appeared in the Gloria Dei records, as would its purchase by the Swedes themselves. Hence the query comes naturally to mind: Was it not the property of the Brotherhood and loaned for the ordination?

Concerning "Jonas," Pennsylvania's earliest organist, little can be said. The first mention of him is the entry in Sandel's diary of July 21, 1702,\* which speaks of him as among those who accompanied Pastor Rudman on his journey to New York. The last reference to him is as playing the organ voluntary, November 24, 1703. he officiated at the consecration of July 2, 1700? Was he of the Brotherhood, or of the Swedish Church, or, peradventure, was he the Rev. Jonas Aurén from Wermeland, who had been ordained at Upsala and sent to America by Charles XI, in 1696, with the Swedish clergymen Andreas Rudman and Tobias Eric Biörck, under a special mission, to make a map of the Swedish possessions, to report on the condition of the Swedish inhabitants, and to return to Sweden? Following the king's death in 1697 and his decision to remain in the Colonies, Aurén came more particularly under the influence of the Wissahickon Mystics and finally embraced the Sabbatarian doctrine without permitting it to interfere with his later Lutheran pastorate, in that he preached for others upon Sundays, but kept Saturday holy for himself.

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;The Swedes in the neighborhood [Tacony] were visited, and all we called on escorted him to the ferry. From there we all returned to our homes, except Jones, the organist, who will accompany him all the way."—
Extracts from the Journal of Rev. Andreas Sandel, pastor of Gloria Dei Swedish
Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, 1702-1719.—Pennsylvavia Magazine of History, vol. xxx, p. 292.

Who the long ago "organist Jonas" may have been, must be left for the future to answer. Perhaps, at eventide when the busy hum of life on the Delaware lessens, in spirit his fingers lovingly sweep over the keys of the little organ in the Gloria Dei gallery, and the sonorous tones of the old anthem, *Veni Creator Spiritus*, ring out again to those who can listen with spiritual hearing.

Veni Creator Spiritus, Mentis tuorum visita, Imple superna gratia, Quae tu creasti pectora.



"Gloria Dei," A. D. 1700 From Sachse's Pietists, p. 138



## SWEDISH CHURCH MUSIC IN PENNSYLVANIA ORGANS AND CHURCH BELLS

#### SWEDISH CHURCH MUSIC IN PENNSYLVANIA IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY, ORGANS AND CHURCH-BELLS

In any study of intellectual development among the early colonists one must deal largely with the Church. In that of music one begins with it.

It is probable that a chapel for the Swedes on the Delaware had been erected by Ridder \* as soon as possible after his arrival in 1639, and that the Rev. Reorus Torkillus † of East Gothland, who accompanied him on the Kalmar Nyckel, had, from the time of his arrival, conducted religious services at Fort Christina, ‡ or, in one of the houses built by Minuit. That there was a church in

\*Peter Hollender Ridder. For sketch of, vide Johnson's Swedish Settlements on the Delaware, 691-2.

† The first Lutheran clergyman to minister in America. He died at Fort Christina, 7 September, 1643, when it was stated that he had been in the Colony four years. *Ibid.*, 205, 697. Acrelius, *History of New Sweden*, 85.

† Constructed before May, 1638, under Peter Minuit, and named in honor of Sweden's girl-queen Christina. Situated on a small stream, within the present city of Wilmington, where nature had provided a wharf of stone, it was built of palisades and earth in the form of a square, resembling a Swedish fortress. The two corners on the Delaware river front and the northeast one toward the land were mounted with guns from the Kalmar Nyckel, while over all floated the blue golden cross banner of Sweden. In 1903, the site of the fort was marked with an inscribed stone by the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Delaware, many of whose members are descended from the Swedes who, before Penn of blessed memory, had settled in that delightful land which is still washed by the Delaware's waters. The inscription reads: "This stone is a portion of 'The Rock's' on | which landed the First Swedish Colonists | in America, 29 March, 1638 | On the spot stood | Fort Christina. | Here the Swedes held their first Civil | Courts and in the Chapel of the Fort | celebrated their first Christmas | worship in the New World," Cf. The American-Scandinavian Review, September, 1904.

1643 is conclusive, since Governor Printz was instructed to "decorate the little church" according to the Swedish custom.

It is about conclusive that Printz had caused a small chapel to be built at Tennakong \* [Tinicum] in 1643, which was used until the fire of 1645; and it is also about conclusive that a belfry had been put up for the church bell,† which came on the Fama in 1644.

Early in 1646 a more pretentious edifice was erected at Tinicum with, probably, a belfry at its side. The building was arranged after the manner of the home churches but it must have been simple indeed. Nevertheless, we are told, "the altar was beautiful with a silver cloth." ‡ It was consecrated, according to the ceremonies of the Swedish church, \$ September 4, 1646, by Rev. Johan Campanius Holm, assisted by Rev. Israel Holg Fluviander, nephew of Governor Printz.

In the ninth article of Instructions to Governor Printz by the Swedish government in 1642, he was directed to "treat with humanity the wild nations bordering on all sides." This policy was adhered to by the Swedes during their period of power on the Delaware. They lived at peace with and were respected by the Indians and received

<sup>\*</sup>Tinicum, about nine miles from Philadelphia, to which the seat of government was transferred from Christina by Johan Printz, third governor of New Sweden.

<sup>†</sup> This bell was used for over one hundred and fifty years. The present bell in Gloria Dei, Philadelphia, is said to be cast partly from it, and the inscription thereon reads: "Cast for the Swedish Church in Philad. Stiled Gloria Die. G. Hedderly. Fecit 1806 Partly from the Old Bell Dated 1643. I to the Church the Living Call, And to the Grave do Summons All."

<sup>#</sup> Johnson, Swedes on the Delaware, 366.

<sup>§</sup> Instructions to Governor Printz: Acrelius, History of New Sweden, 35, 366-7 Note.

no injuries from them. Long after Swedish authority had disappeared the Indians continued to cherish its memory.

The work of christianizing the aborigines was begun by Campanius in Governor Printz's administration, about the time that Rev. John Eliot of blessed memory commenced his labors in similar fields in New England. During his six years ministry on the Delaware, Campanius was most jealous in acquiring the Indian language, meanwhile maintaining a constant intercourse with the native tribes, traveling much among them in the interior. Between 1643–1648 he prepared the first important vocabulary of the Delaware Indians, and he made the first translation of Luther's Catechism into the Indian tongue for missionary use. This was printed, by order of Charles XI, in 1696,\* and sent to America. His treatise on the affinity of the Indian language with the Hebrew forms the introduction to his Catechism.

Dr. Amandus Johnson, in his scholarly work The Swedish Settlements on the Delaware, 1635-1664, devotes a chapter to the religious worship of this people between 1643-1653. Since church music is the keynote in the musical life of the Colonies, and the church ceremonial of any distinctive people, or sect, the motive power, these copious extracts, with foot notes, from Dr. Johnson, will give the proper perspective and help vizualize the dawn of musical life in Pennsylvania:

"The Swedish order of service was followed in the colony. Printz writes in 1644 that 'the services with its ceremonies are conducted as in old Sweden' and in the 'good old Swedish language.' 'Our priest,' he says, 'is

<sup>\*</sup>Cf. Gregory B. Keen, New Sweden, or the Swedes on the Delaware, Chapter ix, in Winsor's Narrative and Critical History of America.

vested with a chasuble \* and differs in all manners from the other sects surrounding us.' †

- "The order of services at 'High Mass,' as given in the Psalm-book of 1614,‡ which was used here (1640-97) was as follows:
- "I. At the appointed time, when the congregation had assembled, and a psalm had been sung, the minister went before the altar, and (kneeling) made confessions of his own sins, then (rising), after a short admonition to his flock to keep Christ's death in memory, he read the general confession, 'I poor sinner,' etc., § followed by an appointed prayer.
- "II. Next in order followed Kyrie eleison and other responsive reading or singing, after which the psalm 'God alone in the highest,' || was sung.
- "III. Other responsive reading or singing ¶ and a prayer \*\* followed, after which 'The Epistle . . . appointed for the day, was read.'
- "IV. An appropriate psalm ('gradual') for the day was now sung by the congregation, followed by the reading
  - \*''Mässkläder," Chapter xxxiv, pp. 366-374.
  - † Printz to Brahe, July 19, 1644, August 1, 1650, Skokl. Saml. (R. A.).
- ‡ The handbook or "order of Mass" was first published in 1531, revised in 1537, 1548, 1557, 1576, 1578 and then in 1614. Cf. Intro., above.
- $\mathsection$  This confession is still used in the Swedish Lutheran Church with few changes.
- "'Allenaste Gud i hemmelrik." This psalm, somewhat modernized, is still used in the Swedish Lutheran Church on all Sundays except during Easter and when the Lord's Supper is celebrated.
- ¶ The priest turns to the people and says [or sings]: "The Lord be with you!" [The congregation answers]: "So also with thy spirit!"
  - \*\*This prayer was printed in the "hand book" for each Sunday.

of the Gospel lesson ('evangeliet') and the Apostolic Creed or 'Luther's Creed' (read or sung). \*

"V. Then came another (specified) psalm, whereupon the minister ascended the pulpit and preached his sermon, making the appointed prayer as well as prayers for the sick and others (at special request), lastly reading the announcements of various kinds. 'When everything was finished in the pulpit, a psalm ought to be sung, if the time admitted it,' thereupon the minister should deliver his 'praefatio, with well-wishes and admonitions.' The Lord's Supper was then to be administered. After the Communion followed the blessing, then the first stanza of the psalm, 'Grant unto us, oh Lord,' was sung and lastly 'Give unto our Queen and all in authority peace and a good reign.' When the Lord's Supper was not administered, 'only the psalm,' 'Oh God, we praise Thee' was sung before the sermon; next in order came 'the Nicene Creed,' and then 'Now we pray Thee, Holy Ghost.' 'But after the sermon the psalm, which was prograduali appointed for the day, was sung and then the blessing should end [the service].' †

"'The [three] principal holidays,' Christmas, Easter and Pentecost were strictly observed, and on these days early services were held in the morning, which 'began so early [about four or five] that they were finished about eight.' These were followed by High Mass with sermon and sometimes by services in the afternoon. On Christmas morning the congregation assembled in the church at four o'clock, Christmas psalms were sung and a sermon on Is. 9:2–7 or some other appropriate text was preached. Each one of

<sup>\*</sup> Cf. Baelter, Hist. Anmark., p. 224.

<sup>†</sup> Baelter, Hist. Anmärk., p. 218 ff.

these three festivities consisted of four days \* and the week before Easter was especially set aside for religious exercises. 'The annual holidays,' New Year, Epiphany, Candlemasday, the day of Annunciation, Good Friday, Ascensionday, Midsummer-day,† the Visitation of Our Lady, ‡ St. Michael's Day, § and The Day of All Saints, were likewise observed, as well as two or three 'solemn prayer days' | on which all of the people attended services and refrained from work. The 'days of the Apostles, Holy Thursday (on which a sermon about the Lord's Supper was preached); 'Gängdagar (travelling days) \*\* were all [observed in the colony] according to the loyal Swedish form.' Only one sermon was preached on these days, and the people were allowed to work as on other week days, when the services On every Wednesday and Friday, sermons were preached on some selected text from the Old or the

- \* It is said that the fourth day was added in Sweden to commemorate the separation of the Swedish Church from the bishopric of Lund, about 1360. Baelter, Hist. Anmärk., p. 156.
  - † John the Baptist's day, June 24.
- ‡ Probably observed on August 15. See Baelter, Hist. Anmärk., p. 166. The Catholic Church observes this feast on the second of July and the feast of the Assumption is kept August 15.
- § Prescribed by law in 1571. This law was confirmed and reënacted several times.
- || The usual custom was to celebrate three such days in a year, but it was not always observed during this period. See Baelter, *Hist. Anmärk.*, p. 187 ff. Two services were probably held (early service and High Mass). For a discussion of the ceremonies of the Swedish Lutheran Church, see Baelter, *Hist. Anmärk.*, etc.
- ¶ The great majority of the festive days, kept by the Catholic Church in memory of the saints, were discarded at the time of the Reformation in Sweden, but the days of the Apostles were retained. Baelter, *Hist Anmärk.*, p. 170.
- \*\* So called because the people during their work "went about and read prayers."

New Testament and, since the law required that in 'a pastorate in the country, having two churches, sermons should be preached in the one on Wednesdays and in the other on Fridays,' we may assume that the services were conducted once a week alternately at New Gothenborg and Christina.\* On all other week days prayers were made morning and evening accompanied by one or two psalms.† On Sundays one or two services were held, both probably in the forenoon.‡ The 'pure Word of God, [and His] law and truth, were preached according to the Augsburg Confession and it is possible that the sermon sometimes gave advice to the congregation to beware of the 'Calvinistic leaven.'

"The people were called together by the sound of the bell, which was rung two or three times before the sermon. Those dwelling at some distance undoubtedly went to church in canoes or boats unless they lived too far from the river. At the settlements, lying too distant for the colonists to go to the central places of worship for morning and evening prayers, lay readers were appointed, 'who could lead the exercises and remind the people of godliness.' It is probable that some selection was read from one of the collections of sermons published during the period, or from the Bible. \$ Special holidays were also observed. When news arrived (in 1646) that Queen Christina had ascended the throne, a special day of thanksgiving was ordered and

<sup>\*</sup> It is not known whether or not "Häradstings" (district court) services were held in New Sweden. Cf. Baelter, *Hist. Anmärk.*, p. 195 ff.

<sup>†</sup>Set or printed prayers for thirty special festive days were found in the handbook and these were read by the preacher on the particular day as on Christmas, New Year, etc.

<sup>‡</sup> It seems that the law required three services in the cities and only one in the country. It is possible that the rule applying to cities in Sweden (of three services on Sundays) was used on Tinicum Island.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. above. Chap. IV.

the colonists came together in the New Church at Tinicum and praised God with a holy 'Te Deum for his grace in having given the dear fatherland a Queen, who was of age.'\*

"The Eucharist† and other sacraments were likewise observed in the Lutheran manner. Campanius brought over at his own expense a gilded silver chalice, weighing about five ounces.‡ When he returned to Sweden he left the cup in the church and was paid 13:10 D. for it by Beier in Stockholm on behalf of the company.§ Other vessels were undoubtedly used, but there is no trace of their existence. There seems to have been no organ, but the church song, which played a great role in the Swedish service,|| was probably led by the minister and some member of the congregation, appointed for that purpose."

Governor Printz discharged the duties of his office with no small ability for seven years longer, and the Church and its music prospered. He returned to Sweden in 1653, being succeeded by Johan Classon Rising, the fourth and last governor of New Sweden. Meanwhile the mother-land was swept by financial impoverishment; Queen Christina resigned her kingdom to Charles X, in 1654, and Oxenstierna, Sweden's great statesman, died a few months later. These events reacted on the infant colony, and, while Rising, a scholar and economist much in advance of his time, suggested plans for stabilizing the Church and establishing schools the suggestions failed of accomplishment, though

<sup>\*</sup> Printz to Brahe, February 20, 1647, Skokl. Saml. (R. A.).

<sup>†</sup> Jacob Evertssen sold a hogshead of French wine for use at the Lord's Supper, November 4, 1646. Acc. B., 1642-48.

<sup>#&</sup>quot;10\frac{1}{2} lot" or lod. A modern lod is about .4276 of an ounce (troy).

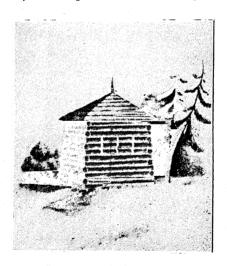
<sup>¿</sup> Journal, no. 731; Monatg. B., 1642-56.

<sup>||</sup> Cf. Whilebocke, Embassy.

<sup>¶</sup> Cf. brief biography of, Johnson's Settlements on the Delaware, 693-5.

religious services were continued as before at the Tinicum Church.

But pregnant events were crowding in upon the Swedes on the Delaware, and, on September 15, 1655, overcome by the superior numbers and the strategy of the Dutch under Stuyvesant, Governor Rising and the garrison of thirty men marched out of Fort Christina with beating of drum, playing of fifes, flying banners, burning matches, musket balls in the mouth and hand and side arms. \* Articles of capitulation were signed, the strains



Wicacoa Block House, 1677

of martial music were stilled, the Dutch flag flew to the autumn breezes and New Sweden was no more.

Under Dutch rule, as under the English which supplanted it in 1664, church services were conducted at Tinicum and at Christina by the Rev. Lars Karlsson Lock, who

<sup>\*</sup> Ibid., 610; Acrelius, History of New Sweden, 76; Lindeström's Geo-graphia America, edited by Johnson, 271.

had come on the Swan in 1648, and who continued to preach in the Swedish tongue until his decease in 1688. After this the Rev. Jacobus Fabricius officiated at both these stations as well as at Wicacoa, where, in 1677, he changed for religious purposes the block house built in 1644,\* already "half church of God, half castle 'gainst the foe" and, on Trinity Sunday of the former year, established the first Christian congregation † within what was to become the fair city of Philadelphia.

Under English rule the Swedes were held in good esteem t and after the coming of the great Proprietary, William Penn, were assimilated politically and economically into his Holy Experiment of democracy. Ecclesiastically, however, these colonists still looked to Sweden for spiritual support. For nearly five years after the death of the Rev. Fabricius in 1691, the congregations were destitute of ministerial guidance, during which period an appeal was made to the mother land "for ministers and books that the children of Sweden do not become as the heathen among whom they dwell." The appeal, reaching the attention of King Charles XI, resulted in the establishment of the Swedish Mission to America and the appointment of three clergymen to the congregations on the Delaware: Andreas Rudman of Gestricia, Eric Björk of Westmania and Jonas Aurén of Wermerland, who were directed to carry with

<sup>\*</sup>See illustration, p. 193.

<sup>†</sup>This congregation subsequently embraced those at Kingsessing and Upper Merion. Vide Acrelius for description of these parishes.

<sup>‡</sup>At the commencement of the Duke of York's government on the Delaware, in 1667, three of his six councillors there were natives of Sweden: Peter Rambo, Peter Cock and Israel Helm; while all the justices of the earliest English tribunals on the soil of Pennsylvania, the Upland Court, were Swedes, save one.

<sup>§</sup> Acrelius, 179 et seq.

them to these congregations the King's gracious donations of books, "being a great many more than had been petitioned for." \*

The Swedes, like other Northland peoples, were lovers of song, and song was a feature of the Swedish Church liturgy. Acrelius relates that "the singing of the Creed seemed strange to the English, as their church retains the custom only with choral music in the cathedrals;" and that the singing of the minister at the grave is regarded as singular, "although singing upon this occasion is not unusual with the others." †

The good Swedish priests reached the Delaware on midsummer's day, June 24, 1697, and promptly chose their congregations; Mr. Rudman taking Wicacoa, and Mr. Björk Tranhook, where a small wooden church had been in use since 1667.‡ The other colleague, Mr. Aurén, was thus left free to enter upon his mission—to make a map of the country with a description of its character and inhabitants; to visit the heathen, and to return to Sweden to make a report as the special agent of the King. It appears from a letter of Aurén to Magister Björk, dated at Conestoga, January 13, 1699, that he did actually go among the Indians and engage in missionary work among them at that place.§

After two brief years of Mr. Björk's ministry the Tranhook building was abandoned, and, on the site of the old fort, where the Rev. Torkillus was buried by Campanius in 1643, the present church at Christina, Holy Trinity, Wil-

<sup>\*</sup> Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, 12, 13.

<sup>†</sup> Acrelius. History of New Sweden, 197-9, 359. ‡ Ibid., 264.

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<sup>||</sup> The later churches of Racoon Creek (Swedesboro) and Penn's Neck, on the other side of the Delaware were for some years annexed to Christina parish. From 1717 they were united under one pastorate.

mington was consecrated on "a bright beautiful day," Trinity Sunday, July 4, 1699, "in the presence of many hundred persons of various religions." The service, fully described in the good priest's record book,\* is not unlike that used in the Anglican Communion of today. "After the assembly had been called together by the ringing of the bell," says Mr. Björk, "my colleague from the other congregation, Magister Andrew Rudman and myself clad each in his surplice (but not with a chasuble as they could not be obtained here), went in before the altar as also our colleague Mr. Jonas Aurén, though he had only a long cloak with cape." . . . Mr. Björk uses in his description the old term "High Mass," and, again in the record, shows how fully his people observed the festivals of Christmas,† Easter and Whitsuntide with service in the early morning at four and five o'clock, followed later in the day by High Mass and sermon. He shows, too, that New Year's Day, Epiphany, Candlemas, the day of the Annunciation, Good Friday, Ascension day, Midsummer day, the Visitation of our Lady, St. Michael's Day and All Saints were also kept as holy-day anniversaries of celebration.

<sup>\*</sup> Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, 40-42.

<sup>†</sup> Pastor Björk's account of the first Christmas service in the new church contains a touch of pathos: "On Christmas day according to our Swedish custom and church directory, we held Oct. Song early in the morning, which should take place with lights. Benedict Stidham, at my request, volunteered with the help of Swen Colesberg and Matz Tossa, to prepare four crowns of wood for which he with much pains sought naturally crooked branches for light stands, each crown having 17 pipes or sockets. We delayed hanging them as he thought of getting some other and better ones in addition, but he immediately sickened and this was his last work. He was not able to be present at the festival when the day came and finally died. I held him up as an example for the church and related this and other small things that he was ever ready to do for God's house with gladness, without reference to his own work.—Ibid., p. 76.

By the following year the Wicacoa congregation, under Pastor Rudman's zeal, had completed its church building on land given by the family of Swän Swänson. It was named "The House of God's Glory" as it would be in English, in Swedish, Gud's Ahra's Huus, in Latin, Gloria Dei. The service of consecration, on the first Sunday after Trinity, July 2, 1700, was "conducted with propriety" by Magister Björk of the Christina congregation, "in the presence of a great assembly" both of English and Swedes. "And," says Björk, "in their church book is related how all was conducted and I for their sakes repeated in English as well as I could a summary of what I had said in Swedish." \*

Among the assembly were the Wissahickon brethren, Kelpius, the Falckner brothers and the rest, who, according to Dr. Sachse,† "furnished not only instrumental music for the occasion but acted as choristers as well, chanting the dedicatory Psalms and responses; while the three resident pastors, Rudman as Vice-Bishop, or Provost, Björk as Celebrant and Aurén as assistant, all robed in surplice and chasuble, conducted the consecration services."

A letter to Sweden by Pastor Rudman shortly after the consecration said in part: "Through God's great blessing, we have completed the great work and built two fine churches, superior to any built in this country. . . . With all this we want some ornaments for our church, which are not to be procured here, such as a couple of bells, handsome chalices and pattens and chandeliers or lusters. We have also room for a small organ."

<sup>\*</sup> Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, 79; Acrelius, History of New Sweden, 207-8.

<sup>†</sup> German Pietists of Pennsylvania, 1684-1708, 144-5.

<sup>‡</sup>Scharf and Westcott's History of Philadelphia, 1884; Clay's Annals of the Swedes, 83; Dorr's Historical Account of Christ Church, 24.

The next outstanding musical ceremonial at Gloria Dei occurred on Wednesday, November 24, 1703, when Justus Falckner was ordained to the priesthood that he might labor as a missionary among the scattered Lutherans in the provinces of New York and New Jersey. From the Wissahickon came again the Theosophical brethren led by Kelpius, many wearing the habit of German universities, as did Falckner the candidate for holy orders, one of their number. To this solemn service in the Swedish tongue, elsewhere described in detail under Justus Falckner, Early Hymn Writer, the brethren brought their best, whether it was the voluntary on the little organ in the gallery by Jonas the organist; the instrumental music of the viol, hautboy, trumpets and kettledrums, or the intoning of the Veni Creator Spiritus, or, Non Nobis Domine.\*

Musically, as well as spiritually, the ordination was a memorable event and would be so considered today, after two and a quarter centuries, were it to be repeated with the same background on the great city's busy water-front.

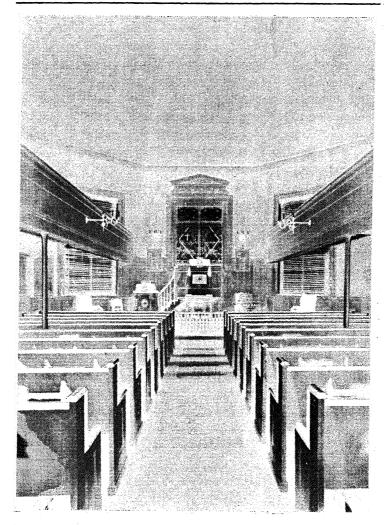
Of the officiating clergy, whose labors for the continuing of the Swedish church and her music on the then uncultivated soil of Pennsylvania, the pious Rudman, after eleven years in her service, died on September 17, 1708, and was buried, by his colleague Björk, in Gloria Dei, just before the altar† where a flat stone commemorates his worth and marks his resting place.

Rev. Jonas Aurén, colleague of Rudman and Björk, perhaps "Jonas the organist" Pennsylvania's first organist, a man of parts, missionary among the Indians, sabbatarian, author,‡ preacher at Elk River, Maryland, for the English

<sup>\*</sup> Ibid., pp. 175-177.

<sup>†</sup> Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church.

<sup>#</sup> Acrelius, 319-20.



Interior Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) From Sachse's Justus Falckner Memorial

and Swedes, and pastor \* of the Swedish Racoon congregation from 1706, died at Racoon, February 17, 1713, and was buried in its church by Mr. Sandel. Though survived by a widow and two sons, the widow and youngest son † quickly followed him to the grave.

Rev. Andreas Sandel, pastor of Gloria Dei from 1702 until 1719, returned to Sweden and was there invested with the living of Hedemora, in Dalecarlia. His diary, tor journal of his ministry, makes the first mention of "Jonas the organist" under date of July 21, 1702.

Pastor Björk of Holy Trinity, who became Provost of the Swedish Lutheran congregations in America in 1713, was recalled to Sweden in 1714, with a commission to the pastorate of the great Kopparberg Church at Fahlun, in Dalecarlia, where he died in 1740. His diary § of sixteen years' service at Christina, and strict account, on the Church Minutes, of books donated and official letters received from Sweden, is source material of the highest value. From this the following items on bells, psalm books and organ have an interest:

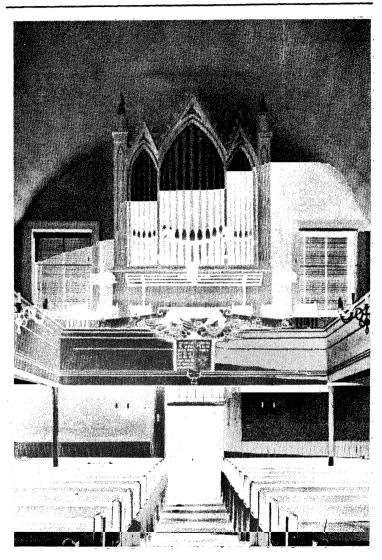
July 2, 1697. "Then I read His Majesty's own letter to the congregations dated at Stockholm, July 15, 1696, stating what books His Majesty had graciously sent them."

<sup>\*</sup> He published an Almanac under the title Noah's Dove, setting forth his views as to the keeping of Saturday as the real Sabbath. This was duly replied to by Mr. Björk, in a Tract with the title: A little olive-leaf put into the mouth of that so-called 'Noah's Dove,' and sent home again, to let her master know that the waters are abated from off the face of the ground.

<sup>+</sup> Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, vol. XXX, 286, 299.

<sup>‡</sup> MSS. Records of St. Mary Ann's, Cecil County, Maryland. The eldest son, Benedictus Aurén, was married in 1738.

<sup>¿</sup> Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, 1-169.



Organ loft, Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) From Sachse's Justus Falckner Memorial

[Among these books \* were: thirty copies of the Bible; fitty copies of the Manuale Sveticum, Stockholm, 1691; one hundred psalm books (hymn books); fifty copies of the Upsala Psalm-Book in large type and fifty Treasuries of the Soul and five hundred copies of Campanius' Luther Catechism, † in the Indian tongue.]

June 6, 1698. "We set the first door which is intended for the Sacristy, the door on the north side by the choir, and then the others."

April 22, 1699. "To get from Hans Pietterson the Bell... which bell was given by Captain James Trent when he went away."

October 22, 1699. "On account of the necessity of the congregation engaging the well-learned and proper person to serve as bell ringer, Swen Colesberg."

December 5, 1699. "I rode up to Philadelphia with Mr. Carl Springer to receive the book chest and box." A copy of a letter, from Olaus Swebillius, Archbishop of Upsala, is entered as well as one from the Swedish Minister at London, the Hon. C. Leyonkrona which latter states that these books had been recommended "in the best manner to Mr. Penn, who intends to go by this ship on which the books are sent over and which is named Canterbury, who has promised me that as much as possible he will attend to them and I am persuaded that he will keep his promise.

After Easter, 1700. "When we agreed with Swen Colesberg to serve as bell ringer and schoolmaster, we promised that in the spring we would cut timber for a house here by the Church for permanent use for such pur-

<sup>\*</sup> Acrelius, History of New Sweden, 366.

<sup>†</sup> A copy of this work is in the Archives of Zion's Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, and another is in the library of the Lutheran Historical Society, Gettysburg, Penna.

pose... But on account of the sickness and other hindrances, nothing further could be done about it... [Acrelius says: "Belfrey projected but never completed. Bell was hung upon a walnut tree in the church yard."]

6 April, 1707. "Palm Sunday. Makes mention of the books received 'according to the contents of His Royal Majesty's most gracious letter, dated Heilborg in Poland, April 20, 1704.' Among them, 4 Psalm books, quarto; 300 Swedish Psalm books, of which 100 are octavo and the rest duodecimo. . . . These books were divided into two parcels, half to Wicacoa, and the other half down here at Christina."

21 June, 1707. "Midsummers day . . . we raised the belfry on the north side down by the east corner of the church, right opposite a walnut tree. . . ." \*

November 2, 1712. "I went to Philadelphia to receive the chest of books from the ship *Philadelphia*, Captain Spencer, which through God's grace had come over from Sweden: ten copies of the new revised Bible † in folio and four hundred well bound psalm books."

January 15, 1714. A number of letters from Dr. Svedberg, Bishop in Skara, entered, one dated August 28, 1713: "His Royal Majesty has also on my humble representation promised a bell and organ and 600 Psalm books and pay for a school master."

Propriety in singing was a matter of special regard on the part of the Swedish pastors, and the principles of church unity were commendably practiced.

Under Mr. Sandel at Wicacoa untimely singing was fined six shillings as a matter of church discipline; and a

<sup>\*</sup> Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, 124.

<sup>†</sup> King Charles XII's Edition—Acrelius, 367.

fine spirit of religious co-operation was displayed when, in 1710, during the enlargement of Christ Church, that congregation held services at Gloria Dei. The Swedish service was closed at eleven o'clock in the morning, when the English service was begun, during which a Swedish hymn was sung as a stronger token of unity. Besides this, church cornerstone layings were many at which the Swedish clergy officiated.

The brothers Andreas, Samuel and Gustavus Hesselius, all familiar names in early Swedish American annals were closely related to the eminent Dr. Jesper Svedberg,\* Bishop of Skara, who during his long episcopate never forgot his spiritual colony on the Delaware. Magister Andreas † Hesselius, afterwards Provost, and Rev. Samuel ‡ Hesselius successively followed Björk at Christina, though the latter was first sent to Wicacoa, as the successor to Sandel, and, for a time officiated at Neshaminy, Manatawny and Matson's Ford.

"When the creed is sung and the text [gospel] is read all must reverently stand, and no one go out of the church before the close of the service by the benediction," rules Rev. Andreas Hesselius, in the Holy Trinity Church book, under date of August 28, 1714, in describing a general parish meeting, and adds:

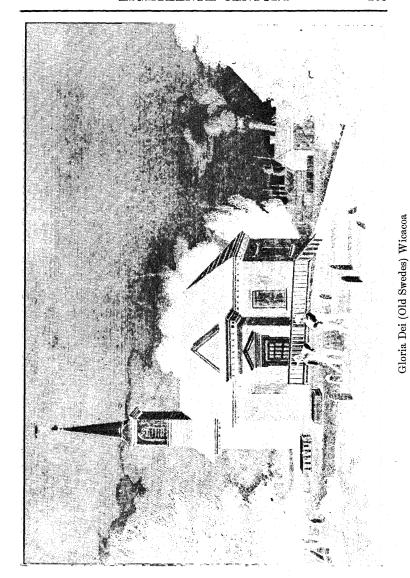
<sup>\*</sup>Father of Emanuel Swedenborg, the philosopher and teacher.

<sup>†</sup> Provost Hesselius returned to Sweden in 1723, and became pastor of Gaguäf, in the diocese of Westeräs. He translated into English, Svedberg's God's Holy Law of Destiny, and published A Short Relation of the Present Condition of the Swedish Churches in America.

<sup>‡</sup> Rev. Samuel Hesselius, in 1731, also returned to Sweden and eventually was invested with the living of Romfertuna in Westeräs.

<sup>§</sup> Records of Holy Trinity Church, 196.

<sup>||</sup> Acrelius, History of New Sweden, 276.



From Scharf and Westcott's History of Philadelphia

"The congregation was reminded . . . to have the music of the church performed in a proper, decent and devout manner, and that all who have received God's gift to be capable of singing with a pleasing voice, and with psalms to praise their God, ought by no means to neglect the gift and stand silent when one should lift his voice to God's glory.

"Also those who have not received the gift, or have not yet learned to sing, should by no means by their harsh and untrained voices make discord and be a hindrance to others, but either hear in silence or by low after singing, accustom themselves to the melodies and learn them better."

The Crown and the ecclesiastical authorities of Sweden continued meanwhile to supply Bibles and psalm books and to encourage the education of the children in the Swedish religion and language. On April 8, 1719, occurred, at Christina, the closing exercises of a year's school-keeping under the good master Gioding, and "when all was gone through with, Pastor Hesselius concluded the examination with a children's hymn and a blessing on the children, whereupon all separated towards evening with mutual pleasure and congratulation." \*

Acrelius † says of Provost Hesselius that he was particularly solicitous for excellence in church singing and that during the singing he went around the church to aid where there was a tendency of failing. In a word, by his

<sup>\*</sup> Records of Holy Trinity Church, 246, 423, 425.

<sup>†</sup>For sketch and portrait of Acrelius, vide Introduction to A History of New Sweden, or, The Settlements on the River Delaware. By Israel Acrelius, Provost of the Swedish Churches in America and Pastor of the Old Swedes' Church, Wilmington, Del. Translated from the Swedish, with an Introduction and Notes, by William M. Reynolds, D. D., member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Published under the joint auspices of the Historical Societies of Pennsylvania and Delaware. Philadelphia, 1874.

effort to correct error and promote good he deserved "the honor of being called a man of order by all after times." \*

From the return of Hesselius to Sweden, in 1723, until the coming of the Rev. Israel Acrelius in 1749, no Swedish school had been kept at Christina and christian teaching had become lax.

"On the women's side [of the church] no song was heard, and hardly a single person made use of a psalm book, though the pews were well supplied with books," wrote Acrelius in one entry on the church books. In another, however, he made the statement that, on his arrival, the Christina congregation sang their Swedish hymns without a leader, or foresinger as the original has it, and some of them astonishingly well. He added that, "The bell, too, was in need of re-casting having been cracked for many years."

In his illuminating description of visits made to the Ephrata Cloister in 1753, and to Bethlehem and Nazareth in 1754, Acrelius shows real appreciation of the musical life of the Mennonite and Moravian communities. A few extracts from his account may serve to indicate his artistic feeling.

At Ephrata, "the younger sisters are mostly employed in drawing. A part of them are just now constantly employed in copying musical note books for themselves and the brethren. I saw some of these upon which a wonderful amount of work had been expended." †

"We twent and knocked at the Convent door. Their

<sup>\*</sup> Acrelius, History of New Sweden, 276, 301.

<sup>†</sup> Ibid., 375.

 $<sup>\</sup>ddagger 1bid.$ , 380. Hon, George Ross of Lancaster, a Signer of the Declaration of Independence, and Acrelius.

Prioress came out, and when she heard our request, she bade us remain in the church until the sisters came in the proper order to sing. We received an invitation, and went up a still narrower set of stairs than any that we had before seen, and came into a large room; in that there were long tables, with seats upon both sides of them. Here there were some of the sisters sitting, and writing their note-books for the hymns—a work wonderful for its ornaments. Six of them sat together and sang a very lovely tune."

Continuing, the annalist says of a chapel song-service, and, it may be that music it was which drew the Swedish Provost to Ephrata:

"The church was not large, and could be filled by some hundred persons. . . When they were all assembled they sat for some moments perfectly still. . . . Father Friedsam \* . . . finally sang in a low and fine tone. Thereupon the sisters in the gallery began to sing, the Cloister brothers joined in with them, and all those who were together in the high choir united in a delightful hymn which lasted for about a quarter of an hour." †

As the service proceeded, a psalm was sung, upon which the reverend writer made the comment:

"It is to be observed that to every psalm there are three different melodies, according to which the note-books are written by the sisters of the convent. Different brothers, as well as the sisters, understand vocal music, as does also Father Friedsam. When they sing, each holds a note-book as well as a psalm-book, both of which are of quarto size, looking into each alternately, which custom would be

<sup>\*</sup> John Conrad Beissel, the then leader of the Ephrata Community.

<sup>†</sup> Acrelius, 388-9.

more difficult if the singing were not performed so regularly every day."

In the account of Bethlehem, the landscape beauties of which are likened to Konungahof, a summer residence of the king in southern Sweden, many details are given of the Moravian Brotherhood and cloister life which here can be but touched upon:

"Back in the church was a gallery, with a small unsightly organ.\* . . . We first went up to the church, where Mr. Ritz† played for us on the organ. . . . We asked whether it was not possible to hear their music. . . . Just as we‡ were standing before the unmarried Brothers' house, there came a blast from two trumpets up in the summer house, which stands on the forest-hill. They gave a charming sound and admonished us to go and behold more of the glories of Bethlehem.

"The Brethren were divided in their opinions as to whether we should sit in the organ gallery or down in the church. It was finally arranged that we should sit below, as the music sounded better there. The organ had the accompaniment of violins and flutes. The musicians were back in the gallery, so that none of them were seen. The men and women were in about equal numbers—between three and four hundred—all clean and neat. . . . After all had been collected during the playing of the music, one of their ministers . . . read some verses of a German hymn-book, after which they were sung with excellent music. Inasmuch as we, their guests, were, as they well

<sup>\*</sup> Could this have been the Hesselius organ of 1746?

<sup>†</sup> The Rev. Matthew Reuz, who was occasionally sent from Bethlehem to preach to the Swedish people on the Delaware.—Acrelius, *History of New Sweden*, 410.

<sup>‡</sup> Rev. Eric Unander, assistant minister at Racoon Church and successor to Acrelius, as rector of Holy Trinity.

knew, Lutherans, they were so polite as to read and sing some verses of our German hymns, e. g. Come, Holy Ghost, descend, we pray, etc., and Zion with deep grief bewaileth. This was their service which they called 'hour of singing.' And so it was, for the verses were alternately read and sung, five or six verses, as directed. We went out, and expressed our gratification with the music with which they were much pleased." \*

After seven years' service the music-loving, scholarly Provost delivered his farewell sermons in the six different congregations, or missions, where he had commonly taught, and returned, in 1756, to Sweden.†

"On March 25, 1772 [the Christina congregation, at that time under the charge of Provost Lawrence Girelius] began a subscription for a new bell for the church, which by 1 of May, amounted to  $35 \pounds$  currency, which was sent by Captain Falconer to London with directions to purchase one as good as he could get for the money, but if it seemed best to give 3 or 4 £ more than the sum sent, if he will advance it the congregation will make it up when he should return with the bill.

"November 8th, 1772. After the close of Divine service in Swedish, the Council informed the Congregation that the bell which was sent for to London at the expense of the congregation, had arrived with Capt. Falkoner, in safety, and was now in the church. It was found to be four times as large as the old one and gave a very good sound, that it was believed might be heard five or six miles around if it could be hung properly and sufficiently high. But where could we hang it? The old steeple was so rot-

<sup>\*</sup> Acrelius, 413-414.

<sup>†</sup>He was appointed to the pastorate of Fellingsbro, in the diocese of Westeräs, dving in the year 1800, at the age of eighty-six years.

ten that it would be dangerous to hang it therein, besides being so low that the church took away a great part of the sound on the south side. . . . It was resolved that we would try to build a new steeple or tower at the west end of the church, and of stone.

"A subscription was started by those present, and 120 £ was raised. It was resolved in the meantime the old steeple should be so repaired that the bell could be hung in it for the present, which was done." \*

At Wicacoa, during the incumbency of Rev. John Dylander, fifth rector of Gloria Dei, 1737–1741, morning service was conducted by him at eight o'clock in German, High Mass later in Swedish, and vespers in English. Through his zeal many needed repairs were made to the church † building and "A small, new and fine organ was put up in the church." † He frequently supplied the Germans at Lancaster with religious services as well as those at Germantown, where he consecrated a stone church built by the Germans in 1730. To the English he gave satisfaction and sometimes conducted services for them. But his good work was terminated by his early death on November 2, 1741. He was buried before the chancel ‡ at

<sup>\*</sup>August 1', 1802. At a special meeting of the vestry, the subject of erecting a belfry came up for consideration. "Whereupon it was Resolved, That the belfry shall be built at the west end of the church, twelve by fourteen feet, and thirty-four feet high, of stone and brick with a sufficient cupola to swing the bell in above the roof."—Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, 496, 497-8, 536.

<sup>†</sup> Cf. Acrelius, History of New Sweden, 237, 238.

<sup>‡</sup> The inscription on his memorial stone is in tribute to his gift of song, for he was a sweet singer in Israel:

<sup>&</sup>quot;While here he sang his Master's praise;
The listening angels heard his song,
And called their consort soul away,
Pleased with a strain so like their own."

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Excudebat J. D. impensis Andrea Kembe,
& Johannis Hardesty. 1647.

(Old Swedes) Church, by Rev. John Dylander

Gloria Dei in the presence of a great multitude of people, and was honored in a funeral sermon, in English, by the Rev. Peter Tranberg of the Christina Congregation.

Dylander's successors at Gloria Dei, Naesman, Parlin, the godly Provost von Wrangel\* and the rest, met difficulties created by the more or less enforced seven years pastoral relations. Not the least of these were the recurring repairs to the church buildings. As early as 1755, the "new and fine organ" of 1740 made its appeal for renewal.

Progress there was spiritually and, doubtless, musically, though little change is observable in the conduct of Swedish church music during the second half of the Eighteenth Century. Under the Swedish Mission,† between 1696 and 1791, no less than twenty-four clergymen of distinguished scholarship, as well as much sacred musical literature was sent over to Christina, Wicacoa and their united congregations. In these churches Sweden preserved the simple liturgy of her national church in her national tongue until, with the return of Provost Lawrence Girelius to Sweden in 1791, the Swedish mission closed. By the establishment and maintenance of these churches Swedish music became part of the warp and woof of the church music of the Colony, State and Commonwealth. In no other racial

<sup>\*</sup>The efforts of Provost Charles Magnus von Wrangel, eighth rector of Gloria Dei, secured the establishment of the parishes of St. James, Kingsessing, and Christ Church, Upper Merion, together with the charter, in 1765, for the United Swedish Lutheran Churches of Wicacoa, Kingsessing and Upper Merion. For sketch of the life and labors of this devoted priest of the church vide Acrelius, 345-350; and for portrait of, by Hesselius, vide The American Scandinavian Review January. 1915

<sup>†</sup> Cf. A Brief Account of the Swedish Mission. By Rev. Nicholas Collin, dated December 10, 1791, and printed in The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, XVI, 349-358. Vide also Ferris' Original Settlements on the Delaware, 184-5, and Clay's Annals of the Swedes.

group of corporate Pennsylvanian musical life are the records so early or so complete as to bells and their ringers, church music and organs.

Of Swedish secular music during this and the earlier period little is definitely known. Viking sagas, folk songs and dancings must have been common at their social gatherings, and of these there were many.

The folk songs of Sweden are among the most melodious of the world and of great age. More tender than those of Denmark, less tragic than those of Norway, less monotonous than those of Finland. As long ago as 1631 Gustavus Adolphus made some effort in the direction of preserving Swedish folk-music, but no systematic collection was published until 1814–16.\*

So it may be said with assurance that the Swedes on the Delaware, with their rich heritage of legends, ballads and homely customs must frequently, when the day was done, have broken forth into the songs of the northland. Perchance into that fine folk song of unknown antiquity beginning:

"Till Osterland vill jag fara."

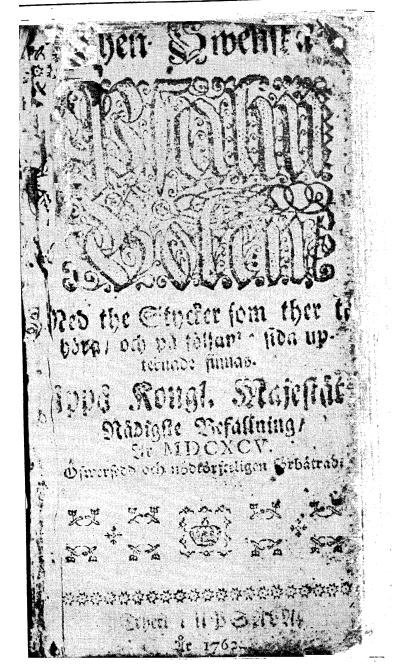
"Now far, far eastward I'll hie me,
Where waiteth my loved one for me,
Past the mountains high and valleys
All under a green linden tree."

Their clergy, too, fresh every seven years from the academic centers of the home land, brought with them to Pennsylvania a substantial contribution from the old-world musical culture. These men, bred in the school of Luther,

\*Cf. Songs of Sweden. Eighty-Seven Swedish Folk- and Popular Songs. Collected and Edited by Gustaf Hägg. The English Translations by Henry Grafton Chapman New York, 1909.

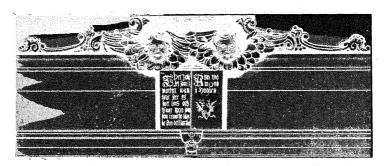


Title pages of Collection of Swedish Hymns



Used in Gloria Dei (Old Swedes)

well understood the power of music and could not fail to have known the works of Bach, Händel and Haydn, nor fail to impart something of the spirit of these masters to their people. With their inherited musical feeling, fostered by the Church, there can be no doubt that the descendants of the early Swedish settlers took the same part in the Philadelphia concert and other musical life of the Eighteenth Century as in its Church music of the same period.



Swedish wood carving of Cherubim on organ loft of Gloria Dei, brought over by the early Swedes. Its inscriptions in English reads: The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.—I. 9: 2. Glory to God in the Highest.—St. Luke 2: 14. Courtesy of the Rector and Vestry of Gloria Dei.

Mons Gustaff Hesselius, Swedish organ builder and portrait painter, was born in 1682, and, like his brothers, Magisters Andreas and Samuel, at Folkarna, in southern Dalecarlia, Sweden, of a family eminent for piety and learning, which had its roots deep down among the mountain folk of that region. His arrival at Christina, on the Delaware, in May, 1711, with his brother Andreas, the newly appointed Swedish missionary, is noted by Provost Björk on Holy Trinity Records, with the further informa-

tion that, "after a few weeks he flyted on account of his business to Philadelphia."

How long Hesselius remained at Philadelphia at this time is uncertain, as is his business; but he was shortly thereafter living in Queen Anne parish, Prince George County, Maryland, where, in June, 1720, he was not only engaged to paint the church of St. Barnabas, inscribe scriptural passages on the Communion Table, and decorate the Altar, but was, on Tuesday, September 5, 1721, commissioned to paint the Last Supper, as an altar piece, for which latter he was to receive £17, when finished. This was seven years prior to the arrival of John Smibert commonly regarded as the father of painting in the Colonies.

Hesselius\* was again in Philadelphia, before 1734, since about this period he painted much if not all of the wood-work of the State House,† later Independence Hall. In 1736 he purchased a house and lot on the north side of High Street, below Fourth, where he afterward resided, and, having qualified as a citizen of Philadelphia, September 26, 1740, there continued a varied and interesting career, as can be sensed from his advertisement in the Pennsylvania Gazette for December 11, 1740:

"Painting done in the best manner by Gustavus Hesselius from Stockholm and John Winter from London. Vig. Coat of Arms drawn on Coaches, Chaises, &c., or any

<sup>\*</sup> The History of Philadelphia, Scharf and Westcott (1884), confuses Gustavus Hesselius with his son, John Hesselius, and ascribes to the latter the the portraits of Joshua Maddox, merchant, his wife Mrs. Maddox and their daughter, Mrs. John Wallace. It is not probable that so important a group, with the signatures "Hesselius, 1751," would have been the work of the son who was then but twenty-three years of age; nor is it always possible to differentiate between the signatures, G. Hesselius and J. Hesselius.

<sup>\*</sup> Etting's History of Independence Hall, 14.

kind of Ornaments, Landskips, Signs, Shew-boards, Ship and House painting, Guilding of all sorts, Writing in Gold or Color, old Pictures cleaned and mended &c."

A portrait painter of no mean excellence was Hesselius,\* as will be seen from the portraits of himself and wife Lydia in the possession of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Other of his known portraits are Robert Morris, father of the financier of the Revolution, and Rev. Charles Magnus von Wrangel, the original of the latter in the Church of Sala, Sweden, also those of Judge William Smith of New York and his first wife, Mary Hett, signed and dated "G. H. 1729," and now in the Cleveland Art Museum.

It was probably in the summer of 1735 that he executed for John Penn the portraits of the Delaware Indian chiefs "Lapowinsa" and "Tishcohan." † The portraits are signed "Hesselius," and, in Penn's Journals and Cash Books is the entry, under date of "Philadelphia, anno 1735, the 6th month, the 12th," "The Propr. J. Penn Dr to Cash £16. Paid on his order to Hesselius the Swedish Painter." His "Crucifiction" was exhibited in Philadelphia in February, 1748, and attracted attention. No list of his portraits has appeared in print, but many that, without doubt, are his have been attributed to his son.‡

<sup>\*</sup> For sketch and portrait of Gustavus Hesselius, by the late John W. Jordan, Litt. D., vide, Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, vol. XXIX, 128-133; also, The American Scandinavian Review for January, 1915.

<sup>+</sup> Vide Lindeström, Geographia Americæ, Translated and edited by Amandus Johnson, Plates 43, 44.

<sup>‡</sup> Cf. Loan Exhibition of Historical Portraits, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, 1887-1888.



MR. GUSTAVUS HESSELIUS



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It is however as a maker of spinets \* in Philadelphia, in 1743, and as a recognized organ builder that interest in Hesselius here centers. The pipe organ, built by him for the Moravian Congregation at Bethlehem, † Pennsylvania, and for which the records of the church show him to have been paid £25 in the spring of 1746, after it had been put in place by his foreman, John G. Klemm, ‡ has long been considered the first organ constructed in the Colonies. was it? Since he could and did build organs, he doubtless built, or was instrumental in building one for Holy Trinity, the Christina Church, in fulfilment of the promise of His Royal Majesty, Charles XII of Sweden, mentioned in Bishop Svedberg's letter of August 28, 1713, to Provost Björk. For this purpose he may have accompanied his brother, Rev. Andreas Hesselius to Pennsylvania. probably helped install at Christ Church, Philadelphia, the organ purchased from Sprogell in 1728, and, it is more than probable that he constructed the "small, new and fine organ" for Gloria Dei, Wicacoa, in 1740. Indeed he may have returned to Philadelphia with the latter in view. With a recognized organ builder in a city where organs are known to have been built during his residence, it is fair to conclude that the resident organ builder built the local organs of his time.

In his religious affiliations Hesselius seems not to have held continuously to the church of his fathers. Between

<sup>\*</sup> Pennsylvania Magazine, XVI, 473, Note.

 $<sup>\</sup>dagger$  For description of this organ  $\mathit{vide}$  an account of by Rev. John Christopher Pyrlaeus.

<sup>‡</sup> Cf. Colonial Organ Builders of Pennsylvania, by John W. Jordan, Litt. D., Pennsylvania Magazine, XXII, 231-3; also Drummond's Early German Music in Philadelphia, 18.

1743 and 1750 his name appears on the registers \* of the Moravian church in Philadelphia and there are frequent personal references to him in the correspondence between Bishop Cammerhoff and Count Zinzendorf. At his death, May 25, 1755, he was interred at Gloria Dei.

By his will of June 10, 1750, he bequeathed "to my son John, my chamber organ," † and named his children Elizabeth, John, Mary, Lydia and Sarah. These children and their children inherited some of the gifts of their especially gifted sire.

John Hesselius, portrait painter, the only son, born in 1728, died April 9, 1778, and was buried at Bellefield, his estate on the Severn, near Annapolis, Maryland. He married and left issue, one son and three daughters. Was a subscriber to the Philadelphia Dancing Assembly of 1749; vestryman of St. Ann's, Annapolis, in 1763 when he was "ordered to apply to Mr. Feyring, torgan maker of Philadelphia, now in this Province \sqrt{to put the church organ in Repair and Tune." It is said of him that he painted the greater part of the family portraits in the old mansions of Maryland and that in a respectable manner. He had the distinction of being an early, perhaps the first, instructor of Charles Wilson Peale, whose son Rembrandt Peale described him as of the school of Sir Godfrey Kneller.

<sup>\*</sup> Reincke, Register of Moravians, 95, 99.

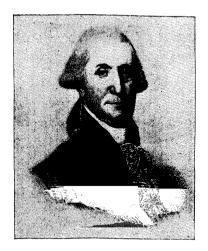
<sup>†&</sup>quot;A small organ," belonging to Benjamin Morgan, was advertised for sale in 1748; and a "Large" one, the property of the late Peter Kook in 1750. *Pennsylvania Journal*, July 7, 1748 and January 2, 1750.

<sup>‡</sup> Drummond's Early German Music in Philadelphia, 21.

<sup>§</sup> Maryland Magazine of History, X, 39-40.

<sup>||</sup> Fielding's Dictionary of American Painters, Sculptors and Engravers says he painted portraits in Philadelphia in 1750.

Lydia Hesselius, youngest daughter of Gustavus and Lydia Hesselius, married David Henderson, Esq., of Philadelphia. Her eldest son John Henderson, was organist of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia, and is buried in its church yard. Another son, Gustavus Hesselius Henderson, surgeon in the South Carolina Navy during the Revolution on the frigate South Carolina, died January 7, 1784, and is also buried at St. Paul's. Her daughter, Lydia Henderson, who died January 17, 1812, aged about fifty, married January 8, 1801, Adolf Ulric Wertmüller, the distinguished Swedish artist, whose celebrated portrait of Washington is quite unlike any other delineation of the first President of the United States. Both Wertmüller and his wife are buried at Gloria Dei.



PORTRAIT OF WASHINGTON

Painted by Wertmüller, in Philadelphia, in 1794

## AMERICAN INDIAN MUSIC IN PENNSYLVANIA

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THERE is, perhaps, little to warrant the suggestion that Indian music has a place in Colonial history. A brief notice of the existence of such an interesting item of ethnological study, is, however, due that vanishing race, whose influence upon our ancestors, our music, our poetry is greater than has yet been fittingly recognized.

Indian music is co-extensive with tribal life, for every public ceremony, as well as each important act in the career of an individual, has its accompaniment of song. Music.\* says one writer on Indian story and song, envelops the Indian's individual and social life like an atmosphere. The music of each ceremony has its peculiar rhythm, so also have the classes of songs which pertain to individual acts; fasting and prayer, setting of traps, hunting, courtship, playing of games, facing and defying death. every experience of life from birth to death the Indian sang. An Indian can determine at once the class of a strange song by the rhythm of the music, but not by that of the drum-beat, for the latter is not infrequently played in time differing from that of the song. In structure the Indian song follows the outline of the form which obtains in our own music—a short, melodic phrase built on related tones which we denominate chord lines, repeated with more or less variation, grouped into clauses, and correlated into periods. The compass of songs varies from one to three octaves.\*

<sup>\*</sup> From a valuable article on *Indian Music* by Alice C. Fletcher, in Handbook of American Indians, part i (1907), Bureau of American Ethnology, Smithsonian Institution, *Bulletin No. 30*, 958.

"Some songs have no words, but the absence of the latter does not impair the definite meaning; vocables are used, and when once set to a melody they are never changed. Occasionally both words and vocables are employed in the same song. Plural singing is generally in unison on the plains and elsewhere, the women using a high, reedy, falsetto tone an octave above the male singers. Among the Cherokee and other southern tribes, however, 'round singing' was common. Men and women having clear, resonant voices and good musical intonation compose the choirs which lead the singing in ceremonies, and are paid for their Frequently two or three hundred persons join services. in a choral, and the carrying of a melody in octaves by soprano, tenor and bass voices produces harmonic effects."

"Songs are the property of clans, societies, and individuals. Clans and societies have special officers to insure the exact transmission and rendition of their songs, which members alone have the right to sing, and a penalty is exacted from the member who makes a mistake in singing. The privilege to sing individual songs must sometimes be purchased from the owner. Women compose and sing the lullaby and the spinning and grinding songs. Among the Pueblos the men joined in singing the latter and beat time on the floor as the women worked at the metate. Other songs composed by women were those sung to encourage the warrior as he went forth from the camp, and those sung to send to him, by the will of the singers, strength and power to endure the hardships of the battle."

In ceremonial songs, which are formal appeals to the supernatural, accuracy in rendering is essential, as otherwise "the path would not be straight"; the appeals could not reach their proper destination and many evil results would follow. Consequently, when an error in singing

occurs, the singer stops at once, and either the song or the whole ceremony is begun again; or, as in some tribes, an act of contrition is performed, after which the ceremony may proceed.

To accompany their ceremonial dances there are songs of different classes, as martial, bacchanalian and amorous, "in which the steps of the dancers follow the rhythm of the drum, which frequently differs from the rhythm of the song. The drum may be beaten in 2/4 time and the song be in 3/4 time, or the beat be 6/8 time against a melody in 3/4, or the song may be sung in a rapid tremolo beating of the drum. The beat governs the bodily movements; the song voices the emotion of the appeal. The native belief which regards breath as the symbol of life is in part extended to song; the invisible voice is supposed to be able to reach the invisible power that permeates nature and animates all natural forms. The Indian sings with all his force, being intent on expressing the fervor of his emotion and having no conception of an objective presentation of music. The straining of the voice injures its tone quality, stress sharpens a note, sentiment flattens it, and continued 'portamento' blurs the outline of the melody, which is often further confused by voice pulsations, making a rhythm within a rhythm, another complication being added when the drum is beaten in a measure different from that of the song; so that one may hear three rhythms, two of the contesting, sometimes with syncopation, yet resulting in a well-built whole. It has always been difficult for a listener of another race to catch an Indian song, as the melody is often 'hidden by overpowering noise.' When, however, this difficulty has been overcome, these untrammeled expressions of emotions present a rich field in which to observe the growth of musical form and the beginning of

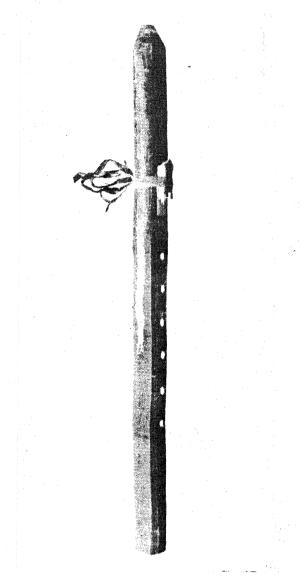
musical thinking. They form an important chapter in the development of music. Apart from this historic value, these songs offer to the composer a wealth of melodic and rhythmic movements, and that peculiar inspiration which heretofore has been obtained solely from the folk-songs of Europe." \*

Professor Jean B. Beck, the learned philologist of the University of Pennsylvania, treating of Indian music generally, points out that the Indian chant cannot be written down in the precise intervals of modern musical notation, with its divisions into half tones. Like the old Greek hymns, it wavers and fluctuates with emotional stresses which require the abolition even of half or quarter tones, as in the glissando of a violin.

It is the voice itself, continues Dr. Beck, apart from the instrumentation of drums or flutes, which imitates the elemental forces of the universe. "If it sings of the wind, it rises or falls with the wind. If it addresses the Great Spirit, it leads off at a height of stirring salutation, as in a Te Deum, and descends to a profoundly reverential humility. It has a constantly varying 'modality:'—that is to say, it follows the variable sentiment of the performer; it may be imperative or optative, as in the case of spoken language."

Drums vary in size and structure, and certain ceremonies have their peculiar type. On the northwest coast a plank or box serves as a drum. Whistles of bone, wood or pottery, some producing two or more tones, are employed in some ceremonies; they symbolize the cry of birds or animals or the voices of spirits. Pandean pipes, which

<sup>\*</sup> Ibid., Bulletin 30, 958-960, Bureau of American Ethnology, Smithsonian Institution (1907).



Flageolet (Lover's Flute)
Bureau of American Ethnology, Bulletin 53, Plate 2

occur in South America, were unknown in the northern continent until recent times. In the southwest notched sticks are rasped together or on gourds, bones, or baskets, to accentuate rhythm. The flageolet is widely distributed and is played by young men during courtship; it also accompanies the songs of certain Pueblo ceremonies. The musical bow is used by the Maidu of California and by the Tepehune, Cora, and Huichol tribes of the Piman stock in Mexico. Among the Maidu this bow plays an important part in religion and much sorcery is connected with it.\*

"On occasions of feasting and dancing, the music of the Southern Indians, both instrumental and vocal, was of that simple, primitive kind, adapted to mark the time required for the saltatory movements in which the performers indulged. Measured sounds there were, but melody and harmony were wanting. The cane flute, the drum and the rattle, constituted the principal musical instruments in vogue among the Southern tribes. The form of the decorated reed-flute or recorder has been preserved for our information, and we are also familiar with the shape of the hand rattle. 'For their musicke,' says Capt. John Smith, they use a thicke Cane on which they pipe as on a For their warres they have a great deepe platter Recorder. They cover the mouth thereof with a skin, at of wood. each corner they tie a walnut, which meeting on the backside neere the bottome, with a small rope they twitch them together till it be so taught and stiffe, that they may beat upon it as upon a drumme. But their chiefe instruments

<sup>\*</sup>Much relating to Indian music can be found in the Reports of the Bureau of American Ethnology: 1885–1886, Objibway Songs; 1884–1885, Drums, Whistles, &c., of Indians of Chiriqui, Columbia; 1892–1893, Songs of the Sioux; Songs of the Cheyenne; Songs of the Arapahoe; Songs of the Paiute with words and notes; 1905–1906, Omaha Music.

are Rattles made of small gourds or Pumpeon's shells. Of these they use Base, Tenor, Countertenor, Meane and Treble. These, mingled with their voices sometimes twenty or thirtie together, make such a terrible noise as would rather affright than delight any man." \*\*

This description will apply in large degree to the Indian tribes who inhabited Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia as the Delawares were continually at war with the Southern Indians and would absorb some of their habits.

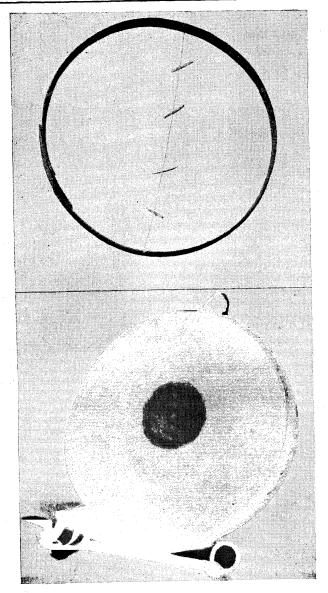
The rattle appears to have been the most universal instrument, made often of gourds, or of a turtle-shell filled with pebbles. To the skin-drum might be added the whistle, and frequently the flute. Every act of life had its appropriate melody, from the setting of the traps to defying death itself. Loskiel † asserts that the whole musical outfit of the Delawares consisted of a single drum, adding, however, that for the war-dance, a fife ‡ (or flute) was added, made of reed, with a shrill note.

The drum of deerskin, stretched taut over the section of a small hollow tree, with perhaps a cane flute and rattle, formed the usual orchestra. National and religious ceremonies and the war dances of fearsome sound, were accompanied by these rude instruments, always with the low hum of the drummer, keeping exact time and step. The beginning of the hunt; the language of Nature in storm and wind; the voice of the Great Spirit or *Manitou*; all these themes, besides the impromptu dance and the joy over the

<sup>\*</sup> Peter Jones, Antiquities of the Southern Indians, 90.

<sup>†</sup> Geschichte der Mission des evangelischen Bruder unter der Indianern in Nordamerika, durch Georg Heinrich Loskiel. Barby: 1789. Translated into English by Christian Ignatius Latrobe, London: 1798; 104.

<sup>‡</sup> Ibid., 106.



Moccasin Game Drum

The upper figure shows the arrangement of one of the three cords inside the drum together with the pegs fastened thereto.—Bureau of American Ethnology, Bulle'in 53, Plate 3.

successful chase, were celebrated in rude song. Some of these were more strange than musical. For instance, the old Grandmother prepares the permission meat in the meatcutting festivity:

> Bring the stone knife, Bring the stone knife! Then hang the meat up to dry, ye, ye, Then hang the meat up to dry, ye, ye!

Says Grandmother, yo, yo, Says Grandmother, yo, yo! When it is dry she will make pemmican, Says Grandmother, yo, yo!

It is said that such songs as this are not fragments of longer compositions, but are complete in themselves. All join in singing them, and they are many times repeated.

"The principal sacred ceremony of the Delawares was the dance and accompanying song. This song was called kanti kanti, from a verbal found in most Algonkin dialects with the primary meaning to sing. . . . From this noisy rite, which seems to have formed a part of all the native celebrations, the settlers coined the word cantico, which has survived and become incorporated into the English tongue.\*

"Zeisberger † describes other festivals, some five in number. The most interesting is that called *Machitoga*, which he translates 'to sweat.' This was held in honor of 'their Grandfather, the Fire.'"

The Indians of New Jersey and the larger part of Pennsylvania belonged to the Delawares,‡ a division of the Lenni-Lenape nation. They inhabited the Delaware

<sup>\*</sup> Brinton, The Lenape and Their Legends, 73.

<sup>†</sup> De Schweinitz, The Life and Times of David Zeisberger.

<sup>‡</sup> Vide Howard M. Jenkins' Pennsylvania, Colonial and Federal, for description of these Indians.

Valley and the land along its tributary branches. According to the late Dr. Daniel G. Brinton, the eminent ethnologist of Philadelphia, the Lenape were divided into three sub-tribes.\*

- 1. The Minisi, Monseys, Montheys, Munsees, or Minisinks, "people of the stony country, or briefly mountaineers." These lived in the mountainous region at the headwaters of the Delaware, above the Forks, or junction of the Lehigh river. † Their hunting grounds embraced land in the three colonies of Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey.
- 2. The Unami, or Wonameys, "people down the river." Their territory lay along the right bank of the Delaware river, extending southward from the Lehigh Valley. ‡
- 3. The Unalachtigo, properly W'nalāchtko, "people who live near the ocean." The principal seat of this subtribe was on the affluents of the Delaware near the present city of Wilmington. Its population, to further quote Dr. Brinton, "was however very sparse owing to the predatory incursions of the Susquehannocks, whose trails, leading up the Octorara and Conestoga, and down the Christina and Brandywine creeks, were followed by war parties annually who desolated the west shores of the Bay and lower river." §

<sup>\*</sup> Dr. Daniel G. Brinton, The Lenape and Their Legends, with the Complete Text and Symbols of the Walam Olum, in Library of Aboriginal American Literature, 1885, 36-37.

<sup>†</sup>Heckewelder states that the Minisi territory extended up the Hudson as far as tide-water, and "westward far beyond the Susquehannah." This statement Dr. Brinton asserts "is surely incorrect." *Ibid.*, 37.

<sup>‡</sup> It was with these and their southern neighbors, the Unalachtigos, that Penn dealt for the land ceded to him in the Indian deed of 1682. Pennsylvania Archives, Vol. 1, 540-1.

<sup>¿</sup>A Brief Relation of the Voyage of Captayn Thomas Yong, in Mass-ACHUSETTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY COLLECTIONS, 4 series, vol. ix, 119.

These three sub-tribes had each its totemic animal from which it claimed a mystical descent. The Minsi had the Wolf—Ptuksit, round foot; the Unamie the Turtle—Pokoango, the crawler; and the Unalachtigo the Turkey—Pullaeu, non-chewing, referring to the bird's manner of swallowing food.\*

"The Unamis claimed and were conceded the precedence of the others, because their ancestor, the Turtle, was not the common animal, so called, but the great original tortoise which bears the world on its back and was the first of living things." †

The mental and moral character of the Delawares was differently estimated by those who had the best opportunities for judging. Captain Thomas Young, one of the first explorers of the Delaware (1634), describes them as "very well proportioned, well featured, gentle, tractable and docile." Lindeström, ‡ Campanius and the missionaries Barnard and Zeisberger are less favorable in their descriptions, while Heckewelder writes: "I do not believe that there are any people on earth who are more attached to their relatives and offspring than these Indians are." §

<sup>\*</sup>Cf. Charles P. Keith's Chronicles of Pennsylvania, 1688-1747, chap. iv, 90-122, for an account of the Lenni Lenape and their relation to Pennsylvania.

<sup>+</sup> Cf. Brinton, The Lenape and Their Legends, 132; Journals of a Voyage to New York in 1679-80, by Jasper Dankers and Petrus Sluyter, 268. Translations in Vol. I of Transactions of the Long Island Historical Society (Brooklyn, 1887); Schoolcraft, History and Statistics of the Indian Tribes, vol. i, 390.

<sup>‡</sup> Peter Martensson Lindeström, Geographia Americae, with An Account of the Delaware Indians. Translated by Amandus Johnson (Phila., 1925), pp. 191-194.

<sup>§</sup> John Gottlieb Ernestus Heckewelder's MSS. in Collections of the American Philosophical Society. Vide, also, Account of the History, Manners and Customs of the Indian Nations who once Inhabited Pennsylvania and the Neighboring States (Phila., 1818).

"Their action towards the Society of Friends in Pennsylvania," says Brinton, "indicates a sense of honor and a respect for pledges. Amidst all the devasting incursions of the Indians in North America, it is a remarkable fact that no Friend who stood faithful to his principles in the disuse of all weapons, the cause of which was generally well understood by the Indians, ever suffered personal molestation from them." \*

The primitive religious conceptions of the Delawares resembled closely those of the other Algonkin nations and were founded on those general mythical principles which existed widely throughout the new world—the worship of Light, of the Four Winds, and of the Totemic Animal. †

The familiar Algonkin myth of the Great Hare, distinctly a myth of Light, was also well known to the Delawares and they applied to this animal, also, the appellation of the Grandfather of the Indians. † Like the fire, the Hare was considered their ancestor, and in both instances the Light was meant, fire being its symbol, and the word for hare being identical with that of brightness and light. §

The historical songs of the Lenape, or Delawares, are little known. Their symbolic writing was intricate and difficult. Much of their songs had to do with the worship of Light, of the Four Winds and of the arrival and departure of the Soul. Their doctrine was that at death the soul took its departure through the Milky Way to the South,

<sup>\*</sup>An Account of the Conduct of the Society of Friends Toward the Indian Tribes, 72 (London, 1844).

<sup>†</sup>Brinton, The Myths of the New World, chap. vi; American Hero Myths, chap. ii.

<sup>†</sup> Loskiel, Geschichte der Mission, 53.

<sup>¿</sup> Campanius, Account of New Sweden, Book III, chap. xi.

where it would enjoy happiness for a period,\* and from thence could return to be born again into the world.† "You are about to visit your ancestors," the dying Indian was told, and most observers agree that he had none of that contempt of death sometimes ascribed to him.†

The song of the Delawares, known as the Walum Olum, or "The Red Score of the Lenâpe," has been translated into English by Dr. Brinton. Space cannot here be given to its great length, but the beauty and imagination of the curious song must inevitably make its appeal to the reader. It is in three distinct parts, or divisions: The formation of the universe, the deluge, the migrations and wars of the tribes.

The MS. from which this was done, "is a small quarto of forty unnumbered leaves," says Dr. Brinton, "in the handwriting of Rafinesque. It is in two parts with separate titles. The first reads:—

#### Wallamolum.

First Part of the painted-engraved || traditions of the Linni linapi, &c || containing || the 3 original traditional poems. || 1. on the Creation and Ontogony, 24 verses. || 2. on the Deluge, &c. 16 v. || 3. on the passage to America, 20 v. || Signs and Verses, 60 || with the original glyphs or signs || for each verse of the poem or songs || translated word for word || by C S. Rafinesque || 1833.

The title of the second part is:-

# Wallam-Olum.

First and Second Parts of the  $\parallel$  Painted and engraved traditions  $\parallel$  of the Linni linipi.

#### II. Part.

Historical Chronicles or Annals || in two Chronicles.

<sup>\*</sup> Cf. Loskiel, Geschichte, 48, 49; Brainerd, Life and Journal, 314, 396, 399, 400; De Schweinitz, Life of Zeisberger, 472.

<sup>†</sup> Heckewelder, MSS.

- 1. From arrival in America to settlement in Ohio, &c., 4 chapters each of 16 verses, each of 4 words, 64 signs.
- 2d. From Ohio to Atlantic States and back to Missouri, a mere succession of names in 3 chapters of 20 verses—60 signs.

Translated word for word by means of Zeisberger and Linapi Dictionary. With explanations, &c.

By C. S. Rafinesque, 1833.

# An extract will serve to show the Indian imagery:

At first, in that place, at all times above the Earth
On the Earth (was) an extended fog and there the great Manito was.
At first, forever, lost in space, everywhere, the great Manito was.
He made the extended land and Sky:

He made the Sun, the Moon, the Stars:

He made them all to move evenly.

Then the wind blew violently, and it cleared and the water flowed off far and strong:

And groups of islands grew newly, and there remained. Anew spoke the great Manito, a manito to manitos, To beings, mortals, souls and all.

The creation of man and beast and all living things is described: the coming of Evil and the Evil Spirit where before "all had cheerful knowledge, all had Leisure, all thought in gladness." Followed, unhappiness and eventually, Death. "All this took place of old on the Earth, beyond the great Tide-waters at the first." Then came the Snake and the Flood, after which Nanabush, the "Strong White One," grandfather of Beings, and Men, who lived on the Turtle Island, created the Turtle; . . . "After the rushing waters (had subsided) the Lenape of the Turtle were close together, in hollow houses, living together there." . . . All the cabin fires were disquieted, and all said to their Priest, "Let us go'—To the Snake land, to the West, they went forth, going away, earnestly grieving."

This strange and beautiful medley of legend has great value for the student of folk-lore, and is said to date back to ancient days. But the old question will arise: How much had the Indians taken from the earliest missionaries. and, after assimilation, returned again to the English in an aboriginal form?

Another authority on the Indians of the Delaware Valley \* describes a kind of antiphonal singing among the Lenape, a chorus in which men and women take part responsively. Their songs are in general warlike or tender and pathetic. They are sung in short sentences, not without some kind of measure harmonious to the Indian ear. The music is well adapted to the words, not unpleasing and not possible to represent by our musical notes. The learned Heckewelder translates the words of the Lenape warrior's song as he goes forth to war, and says of it: "They sing it as I give it, in short lines or sentences, not always the whole at one time, but as time permits and the occasion or their feelings prompt. Their accent is very pathetic, and the whole in their language, produces considerable effect.

THE SONG OF THE LENAPE WARRIOR GOING AGAINST THE ENEMY

O poor me!
Who am going out to fight the enemy,
And know not whether I shall return again
To enjoy the embraces of my children
And my wife.
O poor creature!
Whose life is not in his own hands,
Who has no power over his own body,
But tries to do his duty
For the welfare of the nation.
O! thou Great Spirit above!
Take pity on my children
And on my wife!

<sup>\*</sup> Heckewelder, History, Manners and Customs of the Indian Nations who once inhabited Pennsylvania and the Neighboring States, 1765-1777.

Prevent their mourning on my account!

Grant that I may be successful in this attempt—
That I may slay my enemy,
And bring home the trophies of the war
To my dear family and friends,
That we may rejoice together.
O! take pity on me!
Give me strength and courage to meet my enemy,
Suffer me to return again to my children,
To my wife
And to my relations!
Take pity on me and preserve my life
And I will make to thee a sacrifice."

The song of the Wyandott warriors, as translated to me by an Indian trader, would read thus: "Now I am going on an errand of pleasure—O! God take pity on me, and throw good fortune in my way—grant that I may be successful."

This brief relation of the existence and kind of savage music once heard among the forests where now stand the thronging cities of eastern Pennsylvania cannot well be closed without mention of the faithful priests of the Church who labored to christianize the Indians that they too might sing songs of worship to the one true God.

Missionary efforts were made by the English Jesuits who came with Calvert, at the planting of Maryland in 1634. Here, perhaps, in an English colony translations were first made into an Indian dialect for the purposes of conversion.\*

Soon after Father White † had translated a catechism into the speech of the Piscataways on the Potomac, Johan Campanius Holm, chaplain to the Swedish settlements on

<sup>\*</sup> Cf. The Aborigines and the Colonists, by Edward Eggleston. Century Magazine, May, 1883.

<sup>†</sup>Rev. Andrew White, styled "Apostle of Maryland."

the Delaware, 1642–1649, collected a vocabulary and rendered the Lutheran catechism into the cognate dialect of the Lenni Lenape. This was not only translated, but adapted to the Indian understanding. "Give us this day a plentiful supply of corn and venison" was one of the petitions in the Lord's Prayer, as given by Campanius, to which the soul of aboriginal would be sure to respond. Half a century after the return of Campanius to Sweden his catechism was published in Stockholm, in 1696, through the efforts of his grandson, and copies thereof sent to the clergy of the Swedish mission on the Delaware. \*

The next, and most important, effort towards the christianization of the Indians of this locality was that made by the *Unitas Fratum*, or Renewed Church of the United Brethren, better known as the Moravian Church. This had its beginnings in 1742, as the outcome of Count Zinzendorf's tour of exploration from Bethlehem into the Indian country through the upper valley of the Delaware, in August of that year. At least two hymns of his composition † commemorate his experiences at this time.

An impressive list of saints and scholars of this faith missionated for the spiritual and educational betterment of their Indian brethren. An equally impressive list of Memorials, Narratives, Journals, Relations and Accounts, preserved in manuscript in the Moravian Archives at Bethlehem, testify ‡ to their zeal and supply invaluable source material to later scholars.

The Church Diary of the earliest years at Bethlehem indicates the general use of music and musical instruments in missionary work. Those of 1746 relate that at the burial

<sup>\*</sup> Acrelius.

<sup>+</sup> Cf. William C. Reichel's Memorials of the Moravian Church, 111-14.

<sup>‡</sup> Ibid., 147.

of John Tschoop,\* first Indian convert of this people; his remains were accompanied to the graveyard by the strains of solemn music.

The practice of polyglot singing common among the Moravian Brethren in Europe was followed at Bethlehem. The "Diary," under date of September 14, 1745, records that at a love feast the tune of "In Dulce Jubilo" was sung in thirteen languages to the accompaniment of wind and string instruments. These included languages of Europe familiar to the worshipers and various Indian dialects contributed by the red skin converts.

It was characteristic of the Moravians to sing their praise and prayer. It was likewise characteristic that they taught singing to the Indians from the Shekomeko and other missions housed in cottages below the town of Bethlehem. From these "Tents of Peace", as they were called, the Brethren could hear the songs of Zion chanted in the Mohican tongue at the morning and evening missionary services.

Trombones were brought to Bethlehem from Europe in 1754. In all the years since, in the sadness of death and in the joy of festal days, the trombone choir has held a peculiar place in Moravian life. Tradition has it that such music once saved the town and its inhabitants. From their forest hiding-places hostile Indians, who had planned an attack early Christmas morning in 1757, heard chorals played by the trombone choir and stole away, declaring that "the Great Spirit surely guarded the white settlers."

Of the Moravian laborers in the Lenape mission field none contributed more to the service of song than the Rev. David Zeisberger, the principal authority on the Delaware

<sup>\*</sup> William C. Reichel, Memorials of the Moravian Church.

language, who devoted upwards of sixty years to its study. His book of hymns, in that tongue, entitled A Collection of Hymns for use of the Delaware Christian Indians of the Mission of the United Brethren in North America, was published at Bethlehem, in 1803. The preface consists of a "Dedication," in which he says: "Some of these hymns contained in this collection have been for many years in blessed use among us. They have been carefully revised and amended; others have been in later years translated by myself. . . . Care has been taken to preserve the true sense of the originals." A second edition was edited by the Rev. Abraham Luckenbach, the last of the Moravian Lenapists in 1847.

In 1765 the Moravian missions in the Lehigh Valley came to an end; seven years later beautiful Friedenshütten in the Wyoming Valley no longer heard the voice of song, and the Redskin converts, accompanied by Zeisberger and Schmick, pushed westward by the course of empire, found rest in the Tuscarawas Valley, Ohio. Many of the converts had died in the Christian faith and were buried at Bethlehem to the accompaniment of the solemn trombone dirge. Others like Teedyuscung, baptized by Bishop Cammerhoff, overwhelmed by the injustice of the Walking Purchase, reverted again to their aboriginal faith and practice.

The portraits of two Delaware chiefs, Lappawinzo\* and Tashsukamen, † painted by the Swedish artist, Gustavus Hesselius, by order of John Penn, and supposed to be the only portraits ‡ for which any Pennsylvania Indian ever sat, remain to show what manner of men our "Red Neighbors" were.

<sup>\*</sup> Lapowinsa, Lapowingo.

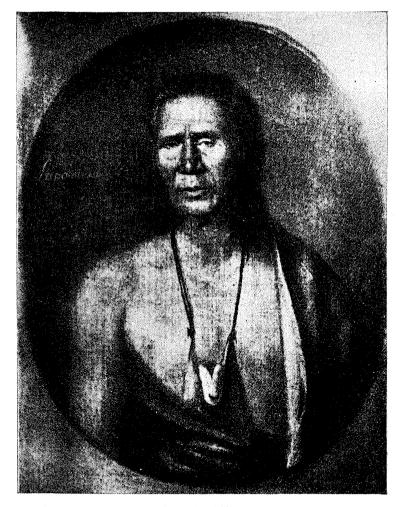
<sup>†</sup> Teschakomen, Tishecunk, Tiscohen, or Captain Jack.

<sup>‡</sup>Owned by the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.



"TISHCOHAN"

(Tash-suk amen, "HE NEVER BLACKENS HIMSELF")
Famous Indian Chief, also a signer of the "Walking Purchase" deed.
(See portrait of Lapowinsa, p. 249.)
From Johnson's Lindström's Geographia Americae



"LAPOWINSA"
(Lapha-winsu, "Gathering Fruit")

Famous Indian Chief and Orator—one of the signers of the Treaty for the "Walking Purchase" and various other deeds. This and the portrait of Tash-suk-amen are the earliest pictures, taken from life, of Delaware Chiefs. Painted by Gustav Hesselius, the Swedish artist, for John Penn, apparently in summer of 1735.

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